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The Editor's Page

We Move Again

This number of THE SILENT WORKER was printed in Oakland, California, in a commercial printing establishment. For the past year the printing has been done in Los Angeles, near the office of the former editor. When the editorial office was moved back to Berkeley last December, it became apparent that it would be necessary to transfer the office of publication as soon as possible. It was difficult to locate a good printing firm, however, which could do the work at the rates which prevailed in Los Angeles.

The change in printers should result in an appreciable saving of time in getting out the magazine. Copy and proofs have been shuttling back and forth between Los Angeles and Berkeley by air mail, but even this fast service has cost several days' time each month, with the result that THE SILENT WORKER has been coming out farther behind publication schedule each month. A fire in the mailing office in Los Angeles caused further delay.

Now that the printing is done close to home, publication should be back on schedule by the time the December number is distributed. The September number was late because of the aforementioned fire, and because the editor was traveling. The delay in getting out the September number also delayed the October number, but by December things should be back on schedule.

World Congress

It was unfortunate that there was not a sizeable delegation from the United States attending the World's Congress of the Deaf which was held in Rome, Italy.

The deaf of the United States are supposed to be more happily situated than those of any other nation. They enjoy educational advantages beyond anything any other country has to offer. Their status as independent citizens is supposed to be the best in the world. They have their own organizations for their own welfare, whereas the deaf in many other nations are the victims of a paternalistic attitude which in some cases makes them little better than wards of charity.

The deaf of the world look to those in the United States for inspiration and for leadership. Yet, when they gather from their different nations for a World's Congress, they find an influential delegation from the United States conspicuous by its absence. They find one delegate who was making the trip because of personal interests and at the last minute offered to represent the

N.A.D. Because he was appointed almost at the time he was to take off in a plane for Europe, he was unprepared to offer the conference very much in the way of inspiration from the United States. As an indication of the respect in which the deaf of the United States are held by those of other nations, however, our delegate was elected as one of the vice presidents of the Congress.

It was or should have been the responsibility of the N.A.D. to see that an impressive delegation from the United States was sent to the Congress. The N.A.D. officials made a desperate effort to secure financing for a delegation, but for once they failed. Their failure was due to the fact that announcement of the Congress was received too late for adequate preparations to be made.

The World's Congress will convene again in three years and by that time it is to be hoped that the deaf of the United States will be ready, and that a delegation of at least five of our leading deaf representatives can be sent.

No Extra Pages

Last month THE SILENT WORKER carried four extra pages, and announced that if a favorable response was received in the way of subscriptions, it would keep the added pages. At this time, however, we are unable to ascertain what the response may be, so it has not been possible to add four pages this month.

In order to get publication back on schedule, the October number is following closely after the September number and as we go to press we have not learned what the reaction may be to the four extra pages.

The four extra pages were inserted to make it possible to include more news in the magazine. This month we are carrying more than the usual amount of news, but in order to do so we are printing the news in smaller type. THE SILENT WORKER will welcome comment from its readers. Do they like the smaller type face, or would they prefer additional pages in larger type? In either case they can help us increase the news volume by urging their friends to subscribe.

Damage Corrected

THE SILENT WORKER mailing lists suffered serious damage in the fire which occurred in the mailing department during the summer. At this writing, the job of correcting the lists has been completed and the July and August numbers have been sent to all sub-

scribers who were found to have missed them. However, it may be that a few names were overlooked and we shall be glad to hear from anyone who has not received the July and August numbers.

Countless letters and postal cards received from subscribers who failed to receive their magazines also conveyed a note of encouragement to THE SILENT WORKER staff. They indicated that people like the magazine, and some said they could not do without it. We appreciated those thoughtful expressions from our readers.

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JOSEPHINE SUSCO

Counsellor Extraordinary

By Lawrence Newman

IF THE DEAF had their own hall of fame, there would be fitting testimonials to quite a few counselors from schools for the deaf. As it is, the deeds of some remarkable supervisors are either merely locked in the heart of the individual deaf or passed from hand to hand, unrecorded, and finally lost.



LAWRENCE NEWMAN

An exmple of the humble but influential calling that distinguishes a supervisor's lot could be illustrated in the personality and actions of Josephine Susco. At the Central New York School for the Deaf up in Rome, New York, she is the mainstay of about nineteen girls ranging from six to eleven years of age.

Though characterized by a gentle and unassuming manner, Josie's personality is sometimes as vital as her raven hair dancing in the winds of Rome. From a smooth-skinned, perenially youthful face, a smile — quick, natural, and individual and her little proteges clambering all over her — often breaks out.

When Josephine Susco was five years old, her mother died and she was left to be adopted by a well-meaning couple. But the Central New York School for the Deaf was really her parents. She lived, for the most part, within its environment till she grew intimate with almost every square inch of ground and veined red brick.

This early familiarity gave Josie enough depth and perspective to realize that each child needs individual care and attention and a full measure of affection. She considers the girls her children and rarely treats them as a group; one is handled with firmness and another with gentleness. To all Josie gives painstaking attention, making sure each child has clean hands, scrubbed face, combed hair, shined shoes. Even after they are gathered and about to enter the class-room, they have to undergo a last minute check-up, for Josie is as possessive and fussy as any mother. A strand of hair in disarray bothers her. She would rush from child to child, smoothing a dress there, tightening a ribbon here. "Oh, Jane," she would exclaim at a careless little girl: "I told you your fingernails were dirty."

When the warmth of the sun breaks up the cold Rome weather, Josie could be seen outdoors with her little ones. She would go on walks with them and explain in soft, clear signs the wonders of the flowers and the grass. When the days are rainy she would arrange indoor games or teach them how to spell a few words, or how to cut and sew, or draw on the large blackboard in the playroom. Josie's kindness and patience have endeared her to the kids and they flock around her as easily as strawberry jam finding its way all over a child's face. It is especially touching to see a child completely willing to share or part with a shiny new toy if Josie would take it.

The personal attitude expressed to-



JOSEPHINE SUSCO

wards Josie's little girls is extended to the parents. She makes it a habit of writing to the mothers and fathers of all the girls entrusted to her. She always makes sure to add a personal touch to everything she writes; she would tell of Beverly or Dorothy having fun at a picnic gathering, or of Eileen's pulled tooth. On Sundays when the parents return with their children, they are welcomed by Josie in the dormitory living room. She introduces them to each other, and through her efforts more than a few deep and abiding friendships have flowered. Josie herself is in constant demand to spend her vacations with some of the parents. She retains a fair amount of speech but would rather communicate with the parents by pad and pencil as she desires to be absolutely sure nothing is misunderstood.

Josie did not come to her present job as house-mother the easy way. Some people were opposed to the idea of a deaf person in charge of the lives of little children. In case of fire, who would hear the alarm ring? But Superintendent Fred Sparks, Jr., was too deeply impressed by the motherly character and goodness inherent in Josie to bypass her. He solved the problem by hiring hearing supervisors to take care of the other girls in the dormitory and to notify Josie of any emergency. Superintendent Sparks loves to compare her with an affectionate mother hen sheltering her brood of chicks. He says all opposition has melted away and she is "loved by all, especially by myself."

But Josie has a sensitive soul. Often



"When the days are rainy she would arrange indoor games or teach them how to cut and sew, or draw on the large blackboard in the playroom."

— Photo by A. J. Hoffmeister.



"To all Josie gives painstaking attention, making sure each child has clean hands, scrubbed face, combed hair, shined shoes." In the picture above, Josephine Susco is combing the glowing hair of Barbara Murphy.

she wonders whether the parents are sometimes resentful because the supervisor is deaf and uses a pair of hands instead of a voice when talking to the kids. She asked one parent about this. Without hesitation, the parent remarked: "I'd rather my child had love than good speech." Other parents have approached her and asked to be taught the sign language. This always makes Josie feel a little better. Although she encourages speech and lip-reading and sometimes uses them with her kids, she feels signs are a part of a deaf child's life and essential to the development of a well-rounded personality.

There is nothing gaudy about the story of Josephine Susco. It is part of the minor episodes of life falling into

a pattern, a simple pattern but far-reaching and productive as dark, brown earth. It is the little things she does every day that stamp her as extraordinary. At one time, Josie was caught hugging and comforting little Barbara Bonner, aged seven. There would be nothing unusual about this if Barbara's skin was not black. In the near future a Chinese girl will make her home at the Central New York School for the Deaf. She will be assured of the same amount of love and care as given to Barbara. In these days of racial strife and recurrent wars, perhaps some people would do well to pause at the barrierless environment of the Central New York School for the Deaf and watch the continuous cheer Josie brings to her kids by simple, heartfelt actions.

There are many deaf adults who remember their supervisor's telling them stories way past bedtime. They recall the hobby clubs run by the supervisors and how, once too often, when their hearts were heavy, they asked for and received sympathetic counsel and comfort. The wholesome influence of many supervisors, as concretely symbolized by Josephine Susco, cannot be denied, yet tokens of appreciation of them are almost always under par.

Josephine Susco was reminded of this. Yes, she realized that for many the tasks were often burdensome and thankless.

"But," she would reply in humble words, her face brightening up: "I love my little girls. I love to talk with their mothers and fathers. Their eyes and manners tell me they appreciate everything."

Perhaps she forgot to, or was too modest, but Josephine Susco did not mention the numerous gifts that fill her room, all presented by grateful mothers and fathers.

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Veteran Workers

RALPH L. DANN

This world is not all a bad world. There are some good people in it and one of them I want to introduce to

you. He is Mr. Ralph L. Dann of Akron, Ohio.



Mr. Dann was one of the first deaf persons to obtain work at the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Akron. He has since

been employed by the company for 37 years.

When asked how he decided to come to Akron from his native state, Pennsylvania, Mr. Dann's answer was as follows. A missionary advised him to come to Akron because it was an "opportunity city" for the deaf. He took the advice and found the opportunity there to lead a full and useful life.

Mr. Dann married Oliva H. Baldwin of Ohio. They have no children.

ROY FRANCIS SAVAGE

Minneapolis is located in Minnesota, the land of the sky blue water. It is a nice city where one can see many interesting things. It is also a nice place in which to live and work.

Royal Savage was born in Minneapolis and has lived there all his life. He has been employed by the Chase Bag Company as an engraver for 33 years. He married the former Roberta Swain. They both are products of the Minnesota School for the Deaf. They have three children.

Sports are the great love in Mr. Savage's life. He likes hunting and fishing and has been doing both for a great many years. Minnesota has thousands upon thousands of lakes and Mr. Savage does not have too much trouble in finding good fishing grounds. He probably knows places that could be called any fisherman's paradise.

Mr. Savage owns a big nice four-bedroom house as well as an automobile.



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Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb

The South Dakota School

THE SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL for the Deaf was established nearly a decade before the state of South Dakota was created. This was possible since the Dakotas were not granted statehood until the fall of 1889.

The earliest provision for the education of the deaf in Dakota Territory appears to have taken place around 1879. It was about this time that the Territorial Government recognized the needs of the deafened children within its borders and took action on the matter. An agreement was made with the Iowa School for the Deaf at Council Bluffs whereby all deaf children in the Territory could obtain their education at that institution. For this service the Territory paid \$5.00 per week for each pupil taking advantage of this opportunity. One of these pupils, Miss Edith Ross of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is still living.

The second step in the education of the deaf in the Dakota Territory occurred in 1880. There was living at that time in the present site of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, an Episcopal minister by the name of Thomas B. Berry. He was from the East and took great interest in the happiness and welfare of the deaf, having been an instructor in the New York and Maryland Schools for the Deaf. What's more, he was happily married to a deaf woman.

In the course of his work, Rev. Berry is known to have come in contact with deaf children living in Sioux Falls and vicinity. He began giving instructions to them at his home. There could never have been more than five of these children at any one time and classes were never regular. It became apparent to Rev. Berry that the educational needs of these children were not being met. Realizing that the parents of these children could not bear sending their offspring to school in then far-away Council Bluffs, Rev. Berry undertook the immense task of providing better means for them to obtain an education.

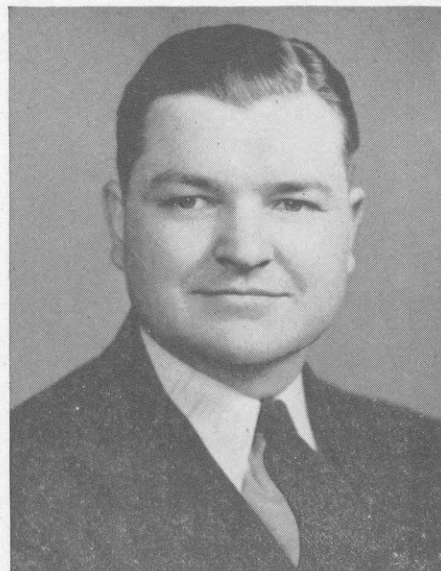
The major problem confronting Rev. Berry was to get the Territorial Government interested in providing better facilities for the education of the deaf. His home was no place for a school. If the children were to make real progress, there had to be a school. It became Rev. Berry's prime aim to

establish a school for the deaf in the Dakota Territory.

Rev. Berry realized that it might take years before he could put over the idea to the Territorial legislature. In the meantime, what were the deaf children of the Territory to do who did not attend the Iowa School? Then and there Rev. Berry made a decision that history will never forget. On December 17, 1880 he rented a private dwelling and thus created the first school for the deaf in Dakota Territory. Miss Jennie Wright, a teacher at the Nebraska School for the Deaf, came to Sioux Falls and became the first teacher of the new school. Rev. Berry became its first superintendent.

At first the school was supported entirely by funds donated by generous citizens of Sioux Falls and surrounding towns. Rev. Berry and Miss Wright contributed no small sum to their cause. However, recognition by the Territory was not long in coming. Soon a new building was rising on the present site of the school. It was at about this time that fate struck a sad blow. On June 19 1881, Rev. Berry's deaf wife passed away. Soon afterwards he took his three children and returned to the East. Here ended the story of a great man whose works live on to this day.

On October 19, 1881 a new two-story building was ready for occupation and the school opened for its second year. The five pupils who were in attendance the year before as well as their teacher, Miss Wright, were the first to set up living quarters in the new building. Miss Wright was appointed to be both teacher and superintendent. However, she relinquished these positions a few days later to marry Mr. Daniel Mingus.



A. S. MYKLEBUST

The wedding took place in the presence of her beloved pupils.

Following Mrs. Daniel Mingus as head of the new school was a deaf man, James Simpson. Mr. Simpson was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Mingus. He came to the new school from the Iowa School for the Deaf, where he was serving as an instructor. During Mr. Simpson's administration, 1881-1903, the institution grew from a school of only one building and an enrollment of seven to a comparatively well-equipped and housed institution with fifty-four pupils.

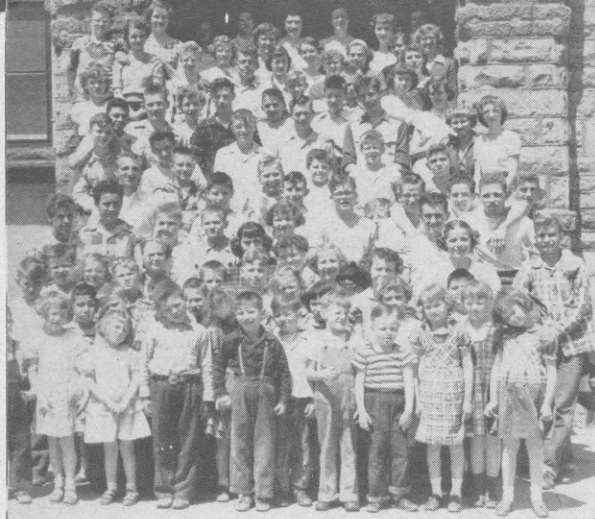
In the fall of 1889, the territory of the Dakotas was divided and the states of North Dakota and South Dakota were created. Shortly afterwards North Dakota established its own school for the deaf.

After Mr. Simpson, came Miss Dora Donald, who served in the capacity of superintendent of the school from August 1, 1903, until she was succeeded by J. D. McLaughlin, who served from 1908 to 1910.

Next to be at the helm of the school was Howard W. Simpson. He was the

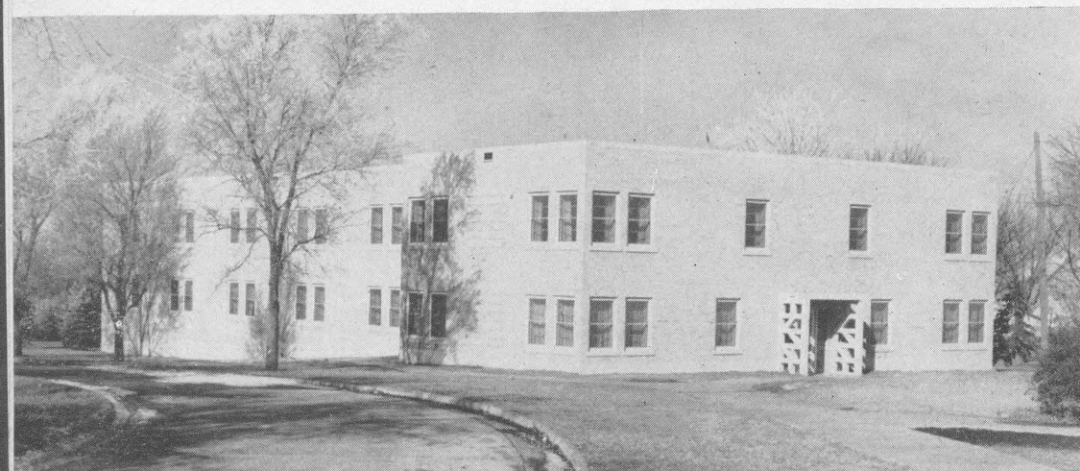
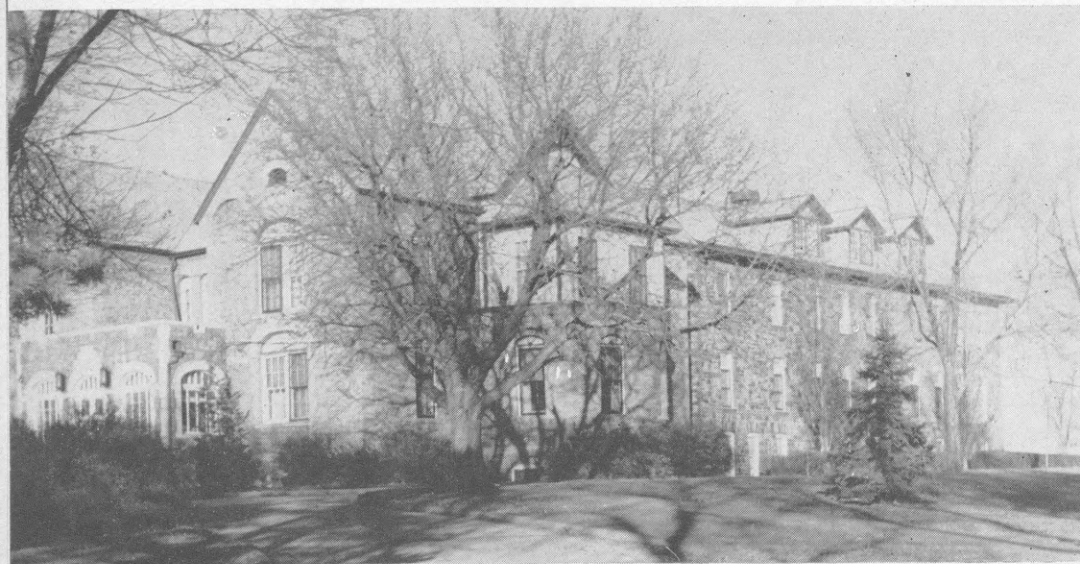
Right, school building at the South Dakota School. Intermediate and advanced classes meet here.





son of James Simpson. After him came Harry L. Welty, E. S. Tillinghast, and the present superintendent, A. S. Myklebust.

Mr. Tillinghast came to the school with wide experience and a good background in working with the deaf. He had served as the head of the Oregon School for 17 years and the Missouri School for 3 years. His father, his father-in-law, and his wife all worked with the deaf for many years. He had a brother who was employed in Ireland demonstrating the American methods of teaching the deaf.



Under the supervision of Mr. Tillinghast, the school made great growth, both in the physical development of the plant and in the number of pupils enrolled at the school. Mr. Tillinghast headed the school for fourteen years. Today two of his children are faithfully carrying on the family tradition of service to the deaf. They are Supt. Edward W. Tillinghast of the Arizona School and Mrs. Hilda Williams. Mrs. Williams has worked with the deaf for many years. She served as supervising teacher in the Iowa School, principal of the Indiana School, instructor at Gallaudet College, and teacher at the Kendell School, as well as in this school. Boyce Williams of the Vocational Rehabilitation Department in the Federal Security Agency, Washington, D. C. is her husband.

It is too early for history to record the reign of the present superintendent, A. S. Myklebust. However, it can be said that he has been most energetic and understanding in his work; that he has publicized the school more than any one person before him and that he has constantly fought for the betterment of the deaf as a whole. Perhaps this strong and visible urge of his to be of assistance to all deaf people could be traced to his interest in two deaf people that he loves very dearly, a brother and a sister. Helmer R. Myklebust, Professor of Audiology at Northwestern University, is his brother.

We now would like to tell you a few things about the present school. It is a small school well equipped to take care of the approximately ninety pupils that come to it each year to obtain an education. The campus is large and beautifully landscaped, covered with beautiful green grass in the spring, summer, and autumn and sparkling white snow in the winter. On the campus there are five large buildings and two garages. One of these buildings is a most modern dormitory for the intermediate and older boys, built only a few years back.

The South Dakota School takes great pride in the social privileges it is able to offer its pupils. The boys and girls from approximately twelve years of age and older are allowed to go downtown unsupervised each Saturday afternoon. Seldom has any trouble derived from this privilege and it is believed that the pupils learn some of life's small, if not great lessons through it. What's more, the pupils mix in a great number of other ways such as sharing chores, planning programs, and at play. Visitors have often spoken of

Pictured at left, top to bottom: The student body at the South Dakota School. The administration building, housing the offices, girls' dormitory, and dining halls. Primary Hall, classrooms and dormitories for small girls and boys. Boys' dormitory, newest building on the campus.



Miss Edith Ross, one of the pupils who attended the Iowa School from the Dakota Territory. She now lives in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

the homelike atmosphere that seems to prevail on the school campus.

In athletics, the school has won more than its share of laurels. In 1941 it became a member of the state athletic association and has since been competing with teams throughout the state. There are few sections of South Dakota that have not seen or heard about the school's athletic teams, which play six-man football and basketball, and compete in practically all the major track meets throughout the state. Neither are there many schools which can boast of having better facilities for their athletic teams and physical educational classes.

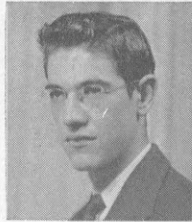
In school work the results have been equally good. The oral method is implied wherever possible but learning is not limited to any one method. The school has always been ready to accept new ideas, providing they were good ones. It teaches a number of trades that enable graduates to make a good living. It has sent a good percentage of its graduates on to Gallaudet College for higher learning.

No history or story of any school can be complete without naming all the characters who ever had a part with it. However, we will name the present principal of the school who has faithfully served and constantly worked toward greater heights in the education of the deaf for many years. She is Mrs. Reana Knochenmus. Space will not permit us to name all the others. If such were possible we would name every boy and girl who ever attended school here. We would name every parent who ever let their children come here. We would name every employee who ever worked here. We would name every person who ever helped the school in any way, small or large. And we would place our Lord's name at the top of the list, for it is through Him more than anyone else; more than anything else that we are where we are today.

R. K. HOLCOMB

Personally... By Mervin D. Garretson

Conventions are not a success every year. But educators today, especially educators of the deaf, seem to have an idea it isn't polite to point out the fact. Personally, we think our biennial conventions as well as our entire school



M. D. GARRETSON

program would be vastly improved and more progressive if our educational leaders would step out of their vague "black - is - white - is - gray" rut and begin calling a spade a well-defined spade.

This tendency to skirt pressing educational issues was hardly evident in the days of the Gallaudets and Alexander G. Bell. They had some lively discussions and we can well imagine the contrast to our sometimes insipid demonstrations and discussions — that is, on the convention platform.

It is our belief that without the unofficial, offstage exchanges of interesting and stimulating views, together with actual instances cited from everyday experiences in the field, the convention at Fulton may have been even less successful than it was.

As it was, the vital, instructive lessons in the philosophy of educating the deaf were gleaned in the corridors of the Missouri school and out on the sidewalks of its lovely campus while the main sessions on the whole just offered careful platitudes aimed at pleasing the policies set by certain powerful ambassadors of a wishful public and a growing industry.

These talks and demonstrations at Fulton were all well arranged and well presented. But for most of us in the profession there was nothing new. There was an un nourishing lack of meat. And we believe the teachers are hungry.

But to return to Fulton itself with a fleeting glance at the June convention — The vast amplitude of ham that quite substantiated Supt. Ingle's pre-convention promise . . . The warm renewals of old friendships in the field which probably meant most to most . . . The \$\$\$\$ charged for meals which may have insured the financial success of the meeting, at least for the Missouri school . . . The nice, near-perfect weather predominating (a happy lack of that sticky humidity in evidence a decade back) . . . Attendance foreseen by pre-convention publicity at 1,000 probably didn't reach the 500 mark . . . Dr. Brown of Colorado and his square dancers going through their colorful rounds . . . The

clever and unexpected interpreting by Supt. Harris (Montana) of a group of Negro singers which saved the day for the large number of deaf teachers at a convention which featured an almost entirely vocal program throughout . . .

One of the classroom demonstrations given by a trio from a pure oral school was quite impressive, mainly because the "class" was limited to two pupils and their teacher. Also, we have no way of knowing if this was rehearsed for months prior to the convention. However, pure oralism does not yet have the answer; neither is it all-satisfying, as was proved later when someone did a little Sherlock Holmesing and learned that these children did use the language of signs and the manual alphabet. A thirsty child will find a way to get a drink of water even if her mother tells her No.

We had an interesting conversation with a teacher who had received her training at the Clarke School in Northampton, a veritable stronghold of the exponents of single-method teaching. This teacher spoke, signed and spelled simultaneously, and revealed an excellent command of signs. She explained that although she was indoctrinated at Clarke, actual teaching experience had shown her that a combination of all methods was the best way to reach the average deaf child. Such changes over from one system to another should be discussed at main sessions where everybody would have an opportunity to hear and question them.

We believe the most pressing problem today is that of teaching methods. Before language can be taught, before a course of study can be successful, it must be decided whether the selected method of instruction is adequate in all respects. All demonstrations given at Fulton showed children being taught orally. That is only one of several teaching methods. When a demonstration of teaching social studies is given — orally — why isn't a similar demonstration given illustrating the same subject being taught by the simultaneous method? If both groups were being taught without prior rehearsal, and the subject matter was new to both classes, we're willing to bet that the latter method will attest to its superiority.

When a convention comes forth with a tingling program that has everybody enthusiastically desirous of attending each session with a deep professional interest in the issues involved, then we will have a convention that is overwhelmingly successful. Then will the teachers feel that their world indeed is moving.

Pep's the Word

*Blue and White Blue and White
Fight team fight
Blue and White Blue and White
Fight team fight
Blue and White Blue and White
Fight. fight, fight*

*Sis boom bah
Sis boom bah
Home team home team
Rah rah rah*

A visitor at an athletic contest of the North Carolina School for the deaf would be immediately impressed by a group of pretty young girls dressed strikingly alike rooting for their team. This unique and colorful organization is exactly what its name implies, a Pep Squad. It was established in 1948 by Mr. Ben E. Hoffmeyer, the principal, and is under the management of Miss Dorothy Smallwood, a hearing teacher, and Miss Mary Frances Miller, a deaf teacher. The club has amassed much publicity and fame throughout the Carolinas.

Their snappy cheers and precision marching have been "eye openers" for many persons, both hearing and deaf who never before realized the possibility of the deaf having a squad that equals and frequently surpasses many public high schools in rhythm, clarity and maneuver. The four cheerleaders give an impressive array of antics as they lead the girls in the cheers. Unlike most such squads at various schools for the deaf, each yell has been drilled so often the leaders need not employ any manual signs to keep up. The squad is rather small, only thirty girls being on it, but the big bag of cheers they have and their spirited rooting makes up for their smallness of personnel.

Try-outs for the squad are held each spring and all candidates are judged primarily on speech ability. However, general character is also taken into consideration before being elected to the squad.

It is considered a big honor for a girl to be a member of the squad and each girl on it must have a personal life above reproach in the dormitory, in the classroom and on the sports field. They are expected to be the leaders of the smaller girls and set examples for them to follow. Good sportsmanship and school loyalty are displayed at all times.

The squad also sponsors the election of the football queen each year. This always is a big affair and the queen is crowned at the half time of the homecoming football game.

The squad always follows the boys to athletic contests away from home and sponsors socials for them quite frequently. They try to keep the morale of the boys high so they can give their best on the gridiron or on the hardwoods.

— JOHN KUBIS.

*He's so handsome
He's a dream
He's the captain of our team
Yea Hall*

*Strawberry shortcake
Huckleberry pie
VICTORY
Are we in it?
Yes, I guess
We're the bears of N. C. S.*

*In that basket
Roll that score
Yea old Bear team
More more more*

Pictured at the right are some of the peppy pep girls of the North Carolina School leading the cheering and at bottom the pep squad poses for a group shot.





THE Silent LYRE

A little more than fourscore and seven years ago, General William Sherman observed, in a terse, bitter statement, that "War is hell." He was thinking, no doubt, of the high cost of the Civil War—of the attendant sacrifice of human lives, of the needless waste of natural resources, and of the complete destruction of beautiful farms and cities. Since that time, our nation has been embroiled in two World Wars and as many minor, though costly, uprisings—and it would appear as though we have had enough of that flaming holocaust once witnessed by the General.

Accordingly, this month's selection of verse is designed to serve as a reminder of what we have just been through — of what we can pass through again. If the tone of the large majority of these selections is one of cynicism and protest, it is only because today's poet has little patience with the foolish whims and foibles of those who would make a chessboard of the world and chessmen of its inhabitants. This is not to say that the poet has become something of a dissenter, a "wet blanket," so to speak. Rather he would rejoice could he but act out the role of a liberating god and sing songs in praise of man's righteous nature, of his generous deeds of good. Again, however, it may be that his dissention is merely feigned, so as to stir up resentment in man's blood and move him to eliminate those evil groups who would set the world on fire.

This would seem to be the tone of "Weld The World Into One Nation," and of the other poems below.

Martial Equinox

Man, ardent lover of the earth,
Has fallen on the slopes again
To fructify another birth,
Discarded his inherent breath
To feel the grasses bend apart
And black loam open underneath
As though he plowed the furrow's chart.

Strange mornings given up to flame
Have marked the fervor of his rite;
His sacrifice has been the same
Through centuries of day and night;
And ancient constitutions claim
His last inalienable right.

REX LOWMAN

Aftermath

"Peace!" they sang, "is ours again
Now that the war is won..."
But the amputee lay in the feverish sway
Of a war that had just begun.

"Peace!" the G.I.'s tried to cheer
"Has come again to stay..."
But their spades gave birth, in the
desolate earth,
To a hundred graves that day.

"Peace!" the cannons echoed nigh,
And the flash lit every cloud...
But the shell-shocked stared as the
rockets flared,
And their nurses wept aloud!

"So this is Peace!" the sergeant cursed
As he finished his glass of rum,
"Poor devils," he said, and he rolled
in bed...
And he wished that his brain was numb.

ROBERT PANARA

Over the Graves of the Free

Over the graves of the free, boys,
Let the peacetime volleys resound;
They may roar from the ends of the earth,
boys,
But they cannot hallow this ground.
For these are the lads who have died, boys,
In the spirit of Freedom's plea,
And we cannot honor enough, boys,
These mounds of the dauntless free.

Over the graves of the free, boys,
Let pour your libations strong,
For down through the years they have come,
boys,
A courageous, countless throng.
You may see them marching still, boys,
In a ghostly, dim review,
A determined thrust to their chin, boys,
And a fire in their eyes burning true.

Over the graves of the free, boys,
White crosses the whole world strewn;
They have fought in every battle, boys,
That ever their country has known.
And now in the years of peace, boys,
And the hopes of peace to be,
Let us breathe a prayer for the brave, boys
Over the graves of the free.

PAULA GAGE

The March

Each foot in rhythm with another foot
On the stupefied pavement
in permanent march
A column of soldiers went
beneath Victory's arch.

The clatter of each hard boot
multiplied in a thousand echoes
Each foot in rhythm with another foot
in this parade of false heroes.

With vigorous stride,
on their faces victory,
Marching, seething with pride,
breathing conquest's glory.

And gay with thoughts of bread
of women and of promised rest,
The column marched ahead:
twenty pairs of eyes abreast.

But it never stopped;
and it marched on and on
For it had developed
the power of constant motion.

And under the open-mouthed multi-
tude's stare
it marched thru the city flooded
with rain
Only to vanish in the thin air
of the desert—never to be seen
again.

EUGENE BERGMAN

Washington Cathedral

(The Tomb of Wilson)

Spires rising to the sun
On a slow-drying dream;
Dreamer and dream at last
Both one.

(Across the world a light
And then Cain's fiery breath:
The blood-gorged Terror stalks
With night.)

Build arches to the sun
But never let him know
His glorious dream and he
Are one.

LOY E. GOLLADAY

Weld The World Into One Nation

Why should we, the common people,
Heed the dictates of the few
Who, for lust of pride and power,
Would plunge us into wars anew?
Heed your own thoughts, heed your own
conscience,
List to common sense.
Who, among us, does not shudder
At the thought of pestilence?

At the thought of death and carnage,
Houses fallen, fields ablaze;
Bodies broken, cities ruined,
Children's staring, frightened gaze?
No! We must not! Must not ever
Tolerate such things again...
Beat the sword into the ploughshare,
Work with all our brawn and brain...

Weld the world into one nation,
What's the difference, anyhow?
All the same in prime creation,
All one genus, then and now.
Fight the wild beast, tame the forces
Of the heavens and the seas,
Heal the sick, plan noble courses
For our glory and our peace.

Thus it was in the beginning,
Thus it shall be as our goal,
Through the years of tribulation,
In the searching for the soul —
Till we meet in common prayer,
Common love and common good:
All the earth in gladness shining
With immortal brotherhood.

FELIX KOWALEWSKI

Clubs for the Deaf...

THE MIDTOWN SUPPER CLUB

By Edith Allerup Kleberg

THE MIDTOWN SUPPER CLUB celebrated its fifth year of existence on January 10th of this year in the Mary Elizabeth Restaurant on East 37th Street, New York City. There was an enormous birthday cake, of which everyone present had two pieces. Between twenty-five and thirty people were present.

The Club originally started as a luncheon group of several oralists working in midtown Manhattan who liked to get together for lunch once a month. But it worked the other way around. In the Fall of 1945, the idea of a luncheon club was born but it was in January 1946 when a supper club met at the Hob Nob Restaurant.

The purpose of the club is to promote oralism. Many of its members are among the nation's most rabid oralists and nearly all were reared in oral schools. Outstanding in the club's record are two members with virtually no experience in oralism, who learned after integration into the club to read lips and to make the motions of speech moderately well.

Another purpose of the club is to give the oralists a chance to listen to prominent people and to hold open forums during which listeners can ask questions on topics chosen by speakers. Speakers are usually chosen for the mobility of their lip movements.

Membership is limited to seventy-five persons, to facilitate lip reading, which proves that even oralists are broad-minded enough to recognize their limitations.

The M.S.C. has received a lot of favorable publicity. The New York *Herald-Tribune* gave it a big write-up three and half years ago and a Belgian news daily gave space to a story about the club. It also appeared in the *Volta Review* and Eleanor Roosevelt spoke about it in her column, "My Day."

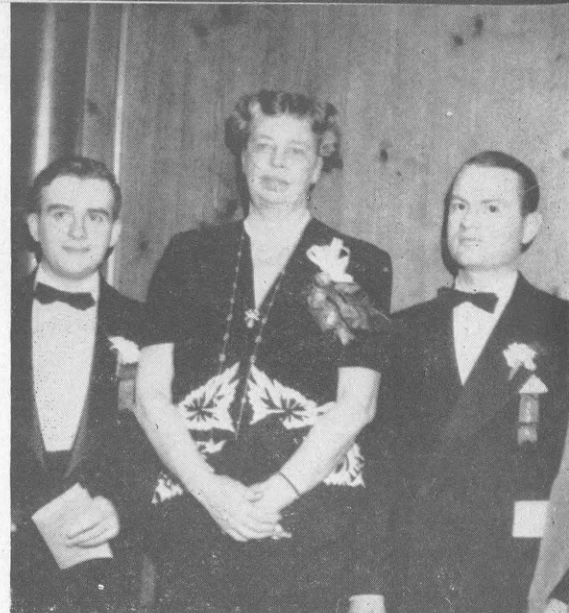
Miss Mary Betty Edmonds, who is now at its helm, was its first secretary. An enthusiastic oralist, she is never-

theless familiar with the sign language, which she learned as a sideline only a few years ago, and uses it only when she is confronted by those who cannot read lips. A product of the Central Institute of the Deaf, St. Louis, and herself a native St. Louisan, she holds a highly specialized job as a jewelry designer in one of New York's high-priced Fifth Avenue stores. Arthur Simon's "A Career Girl" told Miss Edmond's story in the *Volta Review* June 1949.

Robert Lee Swain, Jr. who spearheaded the M.S.C. into fame as its first chairman, first came to New York from Baltimore as a shy lad. He was graduated *cum laude* from Western College, the oldest college in Maryland and the tenth in the United States. He took up advertising very successfully and writes "Here's How" about everyday things used by people. We see them all the time all over metropolitan New York in the subways, buses, and trolleys among the ads. He also works on drawings for several magazines and does editorial work for a publishing house. Another stolid oralist, he learned the sign language reluctantly and haltingly upon the insistence of his wife, the former Beatrice Howard, a product of St. Joseph's School for the Deaf in Westchester County.

Martin L. A. Stenberg has been in Washington, D.C. studying at the American University, where he hopes to obtain an M.A. degree in journalism and public relations. He is Director of Public Relations at Gallaudet College. Before he came to Washington, this product of Junior High School 47 for the Deaf attended the City College of New York, where he was graduated *cum laude* in a class of 1000. He collected honors left and right in English before obtaining his Bachelor of Social Science degree. He was M.S.C.'s first vice-chairman and second chairman.

Amiable James C. Marsters was the



Martin Sternberg, Eleanor Roosevelt, Robert Swain.

club's first recorder. He's the one who makes the guest of honor feel at home and also everyone else who attends as a guest of a member for the first time. A graduate of Union College, where he majored in psychology, he's what might be termed a true intellectual. He is studying to learn painless (*sic*) dentistry and what makes people's teeth decay. He has given very interesting talks on this subject. He has a keen and infectious sense of humor and seems to like everybody. He knows something about hypnotism.

Gerald Hershkowitz, the club's present vice-chairman, is a product of the same school as Martin Stenberg and also attended New York University's School of Business Administration. Secretary Joan Ernst is the daughter of a famous father, Morris Ernst, a noted lawyer and friend of the Roosevelt family. The Hyde Park Roosevelts, we mean. Harold Titwo, treasurer, is a dress designer and attended Parsons School of Design after "47." Jane Becker, another "47" product, works for a firm of architects. She is the present recorder.

Perhaps the most famous of our speakers was Mrs. Roosevelt, of United Nations fame. Edna Ferber also spoke before us and this writer confesses to finding the latter's lips far easier to read. Morris Ernst was the speaker the night I had my first glimpse into the M.S.C. and he spoke very interestingly about his associations with the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Other speakers were Dr. Clarence O'Connor, Superintendent of Lexington School for the Deaf and President of the Volta Speech Association; Dr. Leonard Elstad, president of Gallaudet College;

Left: Front l. to r.—Martin Sternberg, Edwin LaCrosse, Robert Swain. Rear: Mrs. Swain, Ray Beer, Mary Betty Edmonds, James Marsters, Joan Tausik Marsters, Mrs. William K. Rodgers, Dorothy Dresser.



Gilbert Farrar, internationally known newspaper designer; Emerson Romero, who needs no introduction, being familiar to all deafies; Senora Christina Martinez, founder of the first school for the deaf in Central America and herself deaf; the late Charles Bradford, Superintendent of the New York School for the Deaf (Fanwood); Edwin La-Crosse, educator and former principal of the Wright Oral School, who now has a private law practice; Dr. Edna Simon Levine, psychologist for the deaf; her husband, Dr. Matthew Levine, psychiatrist; Miss Pauline Raily, principal of the Nitchie School of Lip Reading and also prominent in the American Hearing Society; Herman Goldberg, former baseball player and now a teacher of the deaf; Roger Godman, a faculty member of New York University, who spoke to a fascinated audience about his world travels and the appalling conditions he discovered in India about 15 years ago; and Miss Harriet F. McLaughlin, Principal of Junior High School 47 for the Deaf.

Also — Dr. Miriam Schloessinger, authority on lamps, who has a large collection of historic and pre-historic lamps. She lived in Belgium, Germany and Palestine, where her husband was chancellor of Hebrew University. She also founded the first hard of hearing society in Palestine. Also — Paul R. Allerup, General News Editor of the International News Service (INS), one of the "Big Three" of the world's press associations—(INS), (AP) and (UP); Mary Wood Whitehurst, hearing aid consultant to whom the hearing aid companies send their prospective customers. She was in charge of rehabilitation work in California for the government, was once in charge of 3,000 deafened soldiers; Boyce Williams, a deaf rehabilitation executive and President of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association; Dr. Ellis Lit, former chairman of Pennsylvania Council for the Preservation of Hearing, organizer of the Speech Reading Club of Philadelphia, president of Philadelphia League for the Hard of Hearing, trustee of Pennsylvania Home for Aged Deaf and a noted New York sculptor in his own right; Toni Robin, Fashion editor of *Holiday* magazine; Harold M. Weston, prominent New York Labor Relations attorney; Marcus L. Kenner, another well-known prominent deafie; Margaret Samuels Ernst, wife of Morris Ernst and an important person in her own right as one of America's important etymologists (the study of words and their origins) and a frequent guest book reviewer for the New York *Herald-Tribune's* Children's Book Section; and Mr. Louis Bettica, director of the deaf-blind program at the Industrial Home for the Blind, Brooklyn, N.Y.

The LONG View

By Elmer Long

Just because we are driven to seek the company of other deaf people, and with them build a complicated society catering to our own peculiar needs, do not make the mistake of believing that we are, therefore, all brothers and sisters under the skin.



ELMER LONG

There are a dozen natural forces working to tear down deaf society for every one working to hold us together. Only our overwhelming need of one another enables us to conquer the destructive forces inherent in our organizations.

History shows that the American Colonies, in the early days of the Republic, were almost destroyed, time and again, because of the "melting pot" character of the inhabitants of the New World. All the misfits of the world — criminals, religious crackpots, adventurers and fortune hunters — flocked to America and the promise of sanctuary. The final task of molding this heterogeneous mass of people into an integrated nation still remains a modern miracle. The determination never again to be subjected to the feudalistic slavery and intolerance of the Old World was so intense in these people that the "impossible" became a fact.

The history of deaf society has a very similar parallel. Only a century or so ago the deaf person was, as a rule, hopelessly uneducated and ignorant, considered to be a public charity case, and placed in the same general category as the insane, epileptic and feeble minded. He was an outcast of society in the true sense of the word. From this "impossible" situation evolved deaf society as we know it today—and a very successful society, from any point of view.

Among the general public, people of like interests and occupations tend to seek each other out and form small nuclei around which their lives are centered. Each of the various professions (actors, doctors, lawyers), each of the various religions, and each of the various races have their own little clubs, publish their own particular views in their own specialized newspapers, and because their interests are the same, conflict within their groups is at a minimum. But in the deaf world, our numbers are too small for any such degree of segregation. In a given city, there may not be more than half

a dozen deaf engaged in their own business, maybe two or three interested in writing, painting or the arts; as a rule there just aren't enough deaf with such like interests to form a separate group.

So in our social clubs you will find few sharp lines dividing the layers in the social strata. Jew and Gentile work and play side by side with surprisingly little conflict. Catholic and Protestant subjugate their traditional animosity. The drunkard and the teetotaler remain on speaking terms. Teacher and student mingle socially. In most of our clubs even the hated peddler is tolerated, if not welcomed.

Yet, while we work and play very well together, we still have not entirely rid ourselves of traditional prejudices. There is always the undercurrent of animosity between our different types of people. Under the surface the age-old battles are still being fought. But because we *must* live at peace with our deaf "neighbors," we do not even admit to ourselves the true reasons for our likes and dislikes.

If we have succeeded in establishing a workable deaf society, considering the natures of the people who are forced to work together, it is as much a modern miracle as the forging of a new nation from the misfits of an older world. It is an "impossible" situation, but we have found the only solution. Every marriage between a Catholic and a Protestant, an Oriental and a Caucasian, a Southerner and a Northerner, levels one more barrier.

Deafness is all-embracing. It conquers inherited and traditional fears and prejudices, overcomes differences of race, religion, rank, environment and family background; it is the one stark reality in our lives that eventually overcomes all the shadowy quirks and foibles that the human mind is heir to.

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The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

Franklin D. Roosevelt gave this country the New Deal. Over a long period of time, unconsciously, perhaps, our residential schools have been developing a state of being which might very well be called the New Zeal. It embraces a philosophy of education which in the long run is proving downright cruel to the less gifted of our deaf children because it tends to hold them up in unfavorable public light.



W. T. GRIFFING

The true mission of residential schools lies with the children who are profoundly deaf. They are our charges. They must be the ones the Great Teacher had in mind when he chided the Scribes and the Pharisees with this statement, "They that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick."

There is a growing conviction that our schools are backed into a corner. All this dates back many years, with almost every residential school contributing to the New Zeal. The brand of showmanship displayed is beginning to pay off in a manner that is too demanding for solid comfort.

In the long ago, in those more happy days when the education of the deaf did not embroil schools and individuals in frequent clashes built up around the philosophy of educating the deaf, there was no need for any school to launch a combined defensive and offensive program, with emphasis on the defensive.

This "restored to society" movement was what did it. In an effort to convince the public that residential schools are not back numbers as far as oral work is concerned a lot of solid fundamentals and values have gone overboard. Now, our schools have always had oral departments; they always will. It is to be regretted that one phase of the education of the deaf has been over-advertised to the exclusion of others just as important in the lives of the deaf.

In the beginning the task of educating the deaf was big business for those who were engaged in it. The leaders were motivated by the highest of purpose: they saw good in everything, and they felt there was work for all to do. It is not so now. Today, you can find concrete evidence of this New Zeal in our schools, in the daily press, and at conventions. Like Topsy, "It just grew."

This change, or this zeal, must have germinated with the theory that all deaf children should be taught to speak and

to read the lips, otherwise they would be certain to grow up under the stigma of a life beyond the pale of society. Befuddled and terrified parents fell for this philosophy. Who at heart can really blame them for their emotional thinking? We would probably do the same thing ourself!

As we have said, our schools have always taught speech and lipreading, only these features were never specialized to work at the expense of other important phases of educating the deaf. It was an accepted part of a normal school program, just as it should be.

When the accusing finger of public opinion began to point at residential schools, demanding to know how on earth the children ever learned to use those horrible signs and why they were not being trained to take their rightful place in society, there came on a ground swell that has reached earthquake proportions.

What was this ground swell? The schools started to make a ritual, almost, of injecting glamorized oral numbers in demonstrations and programs open to the public. Visitors were promptly guided to the classrooms where oral work was played and displayed to the hilt. There was nothing really wrong in this. The real harm came on in the effort to put across the impression that oralism was all that mattered at the school. The same pupils and the same classes were used over and over again. Only those who could be counted on to deliver were used. From a standpoint of real educational achievement, the school abounded with far more worthy pupils.

It was not very long until the public became so orientated to this superlative brand of oral work that eyebrows arched when a deaf child was seen using signs. How often has it been asked of us why all deaf children cannot speak and read the lips as well as those who acquire speech and language patterns before the onset of deafness?

Out-of-town engagements? What pupils were taken along to create the best impressions? Were the people told that not all the work done at the school was the same as the demonstration put on for their special benefit? For the audience to be told that the pupils in the program had nearly normal voice intonation because they possessed some degree of hearing or had become deaf after the pattern of speech had become established would have taken a lot of glamor out of the demonstration.

Search your memory and your experiences. Were not the same pupils used time and again? Were not acco-

lades graciously accepted when they were not exactly merited? Were not the non-oral classes deftly sidetracked when visitors came? Were not the programs built up around the more gifted? Were not those who passed the college examinations held up for special praise when it would have been more fair to have recognized those who graduated the hard way by reason of no speech or hearing? And, is not pupil screening as now practised by schools classified as non-residential, and which we deplore, more or less used then? An honest answer to these will either prove or refute the New Zeal theory we have in mind.

It is pleasing to note that most of our schools are now aware of the one-sidedness of these oral demonstrations. An honest effort is being made to convince the public that in a school for the deaf there are different methods of instruction, that all of the children are not able to speak or to read the lips as successfully as others. Demonstrations now feature the oral, the acoustic, and the non-oral work. The audience is told the characteristics of each field of learning as it is applied to schools for the deaf. This honesty will bear fruit if it is pressed home with every opportunity.

We are now told that the residential schools might as well close because deaf children can be educated in the public schools. We are told this will make for more normal living. In brief, this theory proposes to do away with over a hundred years of successful teaching by a score of brilliant educators who really loved the deaf. It just does not add up to make sense, beautiful as it may sound. If this theory is the "one", isn't it amazing how all our great leaders could have been so blind to it all these years?

There should be a New Zeal, certainly. It should be directed toward the greatest good for the greatest possible number. It should be so flexible that it will work toward the happiness of each deaf child in this country.

New York Superintendent Dies in Auto Collision

Superintendent Charles R. Bradford of the New York School for the Deaf at White Plains and his wife were instantly killed in a head-on collision on the highway near Bridgewater, N. Y., September 1. William, nine-year-old son of the Bradfords, was critically injured and died later in a hospital.

The Bradfords were en route to Central Square, N. Y., to attend the funeral of Mr. Bradford's mother when the accident occurred. Another car passing the Bradford car caused Bradford to swerve to the side. At the same time, a third car coming from the opposite direction, likewise swerved, meeting the Bradford car head-on.

Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

Wesley Lauritsen, Editor

Conference Discusses Welfare of the Deaf

Second Annual Conference Held at Gallaudet College August 3 and 4

More than one hundred educators, ministers, and social workers to the deaf gathered on beautiful Kendall Green, the Gallaudet College campus in Washington, D. C., on August 3 and 4 for the Second Annual Conference on the Moral, Social, and Religious Welfare of the Deaf.



WESLEY LAURITSEN

Also in attendance were interested people from various parts of the United States.

Enthusiasm ran high at this conference, just as at the first which was held a year ago at Raleigh, N. C. A dozen excellent speakers with a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences presented papers which carried constructive ideas for improving the social and religious life of the deaf. These papers should be printed and provision made for wide distribution among educators, social workers, ministers, and other interested persons.

The Conference was formally opened Friday afternoon, August 3, with Superintendent Joseph E. Healy, of the Virginia School for the Deaf, presiding. Dr. L. M. Elstad, president of Gallaudet College, welcomed the Conference. J. M. Robertson, the Conference chairman, responded.

"Problems of the Older Deaf Person" was the topic of the first paper presented at the Conference. The speaker, O. G. Carroll, said that we might hark back to Biblical times and find that old folks always had a seat in the council of nations. He suggested that successful old people be brought into contact with teenagers upon occasion so they might instruct them from their storehouse of knowledge.

R. Aumon Bass, of the Virginia School for the Deaf staff, followed with a paper on "How To Relieve the Loneliness of the Older Deaf." He suggested that by correct social living the deaf would fit into society and forget themselves. They can learn to enjoy their work, play, and service.

Dr. Carl Rankin, superintendent of the North Carolina School for the Deaf, substituting for Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, presented his views on "How We May Help Older Deaf People Participate in Community Life."

William J. McClure, assistant superintendent of the Tennessee School for the Deaf, then presented a paper in which he discussed "How Can We Help the Very Old Deaf Person to Happier Living — To Economic Security?" He stressed the importance of our schools instilling the proper philosophy of life and the development of a love for reading. He also pointed out the pleasure and comfort older deaf persons may secure from religion.

"How Can We Help Deaf Families With Child Rearing Problems and Help Hearing Parents of Deaf Children?" was next discussed by Superintendent John M. Wallace, of the Arkansas School for the Deaf, Saturday morning. Mr. Wallace advised that deaf parents teach their children to finger spell and sign as soon as possible. He also advised that children be sent to Sunday School and to take part in such activities. In dealing with the "baffled, frustrated, disappointed, dejected, self-blaming, and just lost-at-sea hearing parents" of deaf children, Mr. Wallace said the important thing was to educate the parents to accept the deaf child as he is, that his handicap is not so great, and that he can be trained to support himself.

Allan B. Crammatte, of Washington, presented a paper "What Is the Responsibility of the Deaf Person to Help Fellow Deaf to the Right Relationship to God and the Church?" He suggested that the deaf layman make his observance of the tenets of his faith something to be admired and to make his congregation as attractive to others as he can. He would teach by example rather than exhortation.

The seventh paper of the Conference was presented by Boyce Williams, of the Federal Vocational Rehabilitation Agency. His topic was "How Can We Help Deaf Boys and Girls to Well-Paying Jobs?" He pointed out the need of vocational guidance after the student leaves school.

Continuing the discussion on "The Young Deaf Person", Dr. Irving S. Fushfeld, Deaf of Gallaudet College read a paper on "How Can We Help These Boys and Girls to Marry Happily and Establish Homes?" Speaking of marriage as a career-partnership, the most important enterprise one can enter, Dr. Fushfeld urged careful planning. At home and in school we should endeavor to cultivate in the deaf child a sense of affection for others; that the personality trait of "outgoingness", that is, being interested in everything and everybody, be cultivated.

The Conference decided to appoint a committee to prepare literature on marriage, adapted especially for the needs of the deaf.

The concluding paper at the morning session was given by Professor Francis C. Higgins, of the Gallaudet College staff, on "Developing Good Social Behavior Among the Adult Deaf." In his eleven-page discussion Professor Higgins quoted statistics and gems of thought from the *American Annals of the Deaf* and other sources. He said that there are about 240 men and women in the United States who are working as full-time ministers and missionaries or on a part-time basis. With close to 100,000 deaf persons in the country, this gives us one religious worker to 400 deaf persons. The need of more workers is obvious. Professor Higgins quoted a former President of the University of Illinois as saying: "There is no complete education without religion. Since education, up to a certain point at any rate, is, primarily, the development of character and since character is, after all, the training in moral standards; and since training in moral standards depends upon religious belief, it fol-

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lows that religious training is a necessary part for a complete education." Concluding his article Professor Higgins said, "Character education is a continuous process and its importance in the life of an individual cannot be over rated. It was Dr. William Argo, former superintendent of the Kentucky and Colorado Schools for the Deaf, who said, "I insist upon character because I have found from experience that upon character depends everything absolutely."

"As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he," said the Rev. C. A. Williams, of Washington, in the opening paragraph of his paper "Problems of the Deaf as Connected with God and the Church — Moral, Social, Religious." The speaker referred to the Ten Commandments as a guide, showing the importance of obeying them in spirit as well as letter. Quoting the Bible time and again, Mr. Williams showed the necessity of having Christ in one's life if it is to be a truly religious life.

A paper on another phase of this question "What and How can the Deaf Person Contribute to His Church?" was presented by the Rev. W. A. Westerman, of Washington, D. C. Pointing out that an abundance of worldly goods did not make a truly happy life, the speaker said that religion was the priceless jewel of all earthly existence the true pearl of the heart, the true source of happiness and contentment. He urged that the deaf show personal interest in their church as without that they were so much dead wood.

The thirteenth and final conference paper was read by Miss Corla Soules on the topic "How Can the Church Serve the Deaf in the Community?" She listed seven possible ways: Missionary Vision, Charitableness, Visitation, Young People's Groups, Sunday Schools and Vacation Bible Schools, Regular Services, and a Well-rounded Social Program.

At the close of each conference session there was a question and answer period, with Dr. Elstad acting as moderator. Many vital problems on the moral, social, and religious phases of life were discussed.

Dr. and Mrs. Elstad held open house for the members of the Conference on Friday evening.

Officers elected for the next year are: president, J. M. Robertson; first vice-president, J. M. Wallace; second vice-president, O. G. Carroll; secretary-treasurer, Rev. W. Westerman; Board of Directors, Dr. Carl Rankin, Prof. F. C. Higgins, Rev. Robert Johnson.

The Church Editor wishes to thank Rev. Stewart Dale for notes on the Conference and the privilege of reading all of the prepared papers. This alone made it possible to write the above summary of the Conference.

Sermon of the Month HILLS . . . A MEDITATION

Rev. Homer E. Grace
Denver, Colorado

Text — "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my strength." Psalm 121:1

One who lives in Denver is quite often reminded of the above Psalm whenever he looks to the west and sees the majestic mountains there, so it is quite appropriate to meditate on hills at this time. This Psalm is also a reminder that in ancient times altars were generally built on the highest point of land available and people would look up to where such altars were. The temple in Jerusalem was built on one of the highest points in that city. Thus the inspiration for the 121st Psalm.

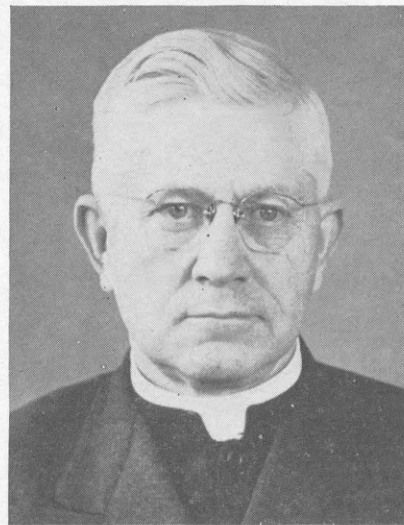
The first hill we come to can be called the Hill of Vision. One can see much more from the top of a hill than from the bottom and on his Hill of Vision one can see into the future in a way as well as look back along the course he has come. Looking back we can see the things we have accomplished, other things we failed to do and are again reminded of a paragraph in the Confession, "We have left undone those things we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done." Lost opportunities. Many people do not like to look back on the way they have come, too many things remind them of such lost opportunities, but past accomplishments on failures are our only measure for the future.

And when we look into the future, we can see the path of life stretching out before us and can make plans for the future. We also see how the path of life has its ups and downs, but can always be up for us if we have the strength to continue with God's help. John Oxenham wrote a poem.

*To every soul there openeth
A high hill and a low;
The high soul climbs the high
hill*

The low soul gropes the low—
How true to life that is, it is only the high soul that climbs the high and only low soul that climbs the low, or takes the easy way of life.

Another hill is the hill of faith — "For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith." As we reach the summit of this hill, we pause in meditation with our blessed Lord. Jesus points



REV. H. E. GRACE

out to us a few hills that will be in our path as we journey on. These hills we can climb if we will with the help of faith.

Other hills in our field of vision, — the hill of Hope, of Charity, of Love, and the hill of Service. When we look about at this troubled world, we wonder what we can do by climbing these hills. God gave these same hills to the Hebrews of the Old Testament. Some could climb them, some could not. Jesus himself came to show the way and climbed the hill of Calvary.

The last, the Hill of Service, is rather steep, rather difficult — many times on this hill we slip back a step — it is so much easier to be ministered to than to minister; but Jesus said, "I am among you as he that serveth." So having climbed the hill of Vision and that of Faith, we should have the strength to climb this hill of service. Modern life tends to avoid hills as much as possible. This is true in road building, go around, or tunnel or avoid some way — like so many who try to avoid the hard things of life and prefer to take the lower and easy road. But one does not grow in God's way unless one takes the rougher or higher route.

If one asks me why we must have mountains west of Denver I will say that if there were no mountains there probably would be a barren waste or a desert, a useless stretch of land. Likewise if we had no difficult hills of life to climb, we would be a practically useless people. The true Christian is the one who meets life's Hills and climbs them with the help of God.

Our closing prayer should be, "O God, give us hills to climb, and strength for climbing."



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NEBRASKA . . .

Hilda Anthony of Omaha was the happiest mother on earth two months ago when her son, Roy, returned after a year in Korea with the 24th Division. Roy is 21 and a Corporal in the Army. He was a machine gunner while with the 24th Division. Mrs. Anthony took a whole week off her job and stayed at home taking care of Roy, fattening him up with steak, potatoes, and pie. After his month's furlough was up, Roy reported at Fort Riley, Kan., where he served as an instructor in the use of machine guns. At this writing, Roy is at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo., for a little while before being transferred overseas to Europe.

An odd incident occurred during Roy's visit with mother. While driving his car one evening, the siren of a police car frightened him so much that he lost control and rammed into two parked cars. Fortunately there was not much damage done and Roy suffered only a cut hand.

Those from Omaha who attended the Frat Convention were the Cuscadens, Treukes, Tom Petersons, Berneys, and Steve Grudzinski. Scott Cuscaden was one of the four sergeants at the Convention's business sessions and said it was the hardest job he had ever undertaken for there were so many at the business meetings that Scott found no time to watch the proceedings. Mr. Treuke was local delegate and had a brief case and note book in evidence all the time, which showed that he was taking his duties seriously. All of them agree upon one thing, that the Chicago Convention was one of the best ever.

The Treukes took a leisurely auto trip south after the Convention, taking in the Smoky Mountains in Tenn., and the Ozarks in Mo., before returning to Omaha. Dolly Peterson went on to Wash., D.C., to see her oldest boy who is in the Navy there, but the weather there became too much for her and she left for Chicago to join Tom in less than a week. The Cuscadens made a quicker trip, being the first of the Omaha deaf to return.

Riley Anthony is quite a busy man for he has been building a huge ranch-type home outside the city limits for Mr. Nels Updike, one of the most prominent men in Omaha, and also the wealthiest. The house will be worth \$150,000 when completed and will contain five bathrooms. Riley, an A-1 carpenter, is the contractor and considers it quite an honor to have a hand in building this costly mansion.

Mrs. Emil Hladik, and Mrs. Edith Osmum were pleasantly surprised when Mrs. Arndt, of Milwaukee, the former Lena Anderson,

visited Omaha and offered to take them back to Milwaukee with her in her car. They accepted eagerly and had a wonderful time in Milwaukee and Chicago during the recent convention. It was Rosa's first trip out of Omaha in many years and she was walking on clouds for awhile, telling her friends about the adventure.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Howsden, of Alma, Neb., were in Omaha during the summer visiting Ivan's sister, Mrs. Nick Peterson, and attending the picnic and barn dance at the Hill Haven Barn, south of Omaha. The day following the barn dance, some fifty deaf friends gathered at the Peterson home to congratulate the Howsdens who had just recently been married. They were presented with a beautiful coffee set at a wedding shower given by Mesdames N. Petersen, Langr, and E. Petersen.

Mr. and Mrs. George Revers, Okla. City, paid Omaha a visit in July and a reception was held in their honor at the home of the Dale Padens with around forty friends present from both Omaha and Council Bluffs. Asked when they were returning to Okla. City, George said they would leave at exactly 2 a.m. the following Tuesday morning. They were driving, but just why at 2 a.m., we do not know.

The Robert Mullins came back to Omaha some time ago after a very long auto trip which took them all over the Southwest and into Mexico, totalling around 5,000 miles. They stopped in Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and viewed the Grand Canyon as well as Bryce and Zion Nat'l Parks in Utah. Tired out after such a long journey? No, they are already discussing another cross-country jaunt.

The James Jelineks left Omaha the first week of August for Denver and Yellowstone Park, taking the John Schenemans with them. Away only a week, they covered a great deal of territory, taking in the Black Hills on their way home.

A picnic took place at Arapahoe, Neb., southwest of Omaha on Sunday, August 12, with almost a hundred showing up which was most unusual for that part of the state. A softball game was staged between the Omaha Club and the Denver Silent Athletic Club, with the Denver boys winning 13-0. The two clubs are thinking of making the game an annual affair.

We are grateful to Thomas Peterson of Omaha for the Nebraska news this month.

KENTUCKY . . .

James F. Royster, Danville NFSD Delegate, reported a pleasant and enjoyable time at the recent convention. Other Kentuckians taking in the Golden Jubilee conclave in Chicago were the Gordon Kannapells and the Frank Baxters.

Mrs. Earl Elkins entertained a group of friends with a spaghetti supper on Earl's birthday July 28. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Marshall, Caroline Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hoffmeyer, Claude Hoffmeyer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James Haster, Joe Balasa, and the Elkins family.

Mrs. Joe Balasa motored to Indianapolis, Ind., with some hearing friends July 27, intending to visit her sister there, but upon arrival, found that her sister was out of town. However, en route home, she stopped over in Columbus, Ohio, to spend a very pleasant afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Benowitz.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jehn and daughter were guests of Mrs. Jehn's parents, the Joe Balasas, during the week of August 5. During their stay, a surprise birthday party was arranged for Mr. Jehn by Mrs. Balasa and Mrs. Elkins.

Lately, in Danville, the trend seems to lean towards outdoor fireplaces and among those busily erecting such, are Claude Hoffmeyer, J. C. Ewing, and Earl Elkins. We foresee quite a few weiner roasts which will be held around those new fireplaces.

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Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wilder, Lexington, were week-end guests of the J. C. Ewings in Danville the end of July. Last reports had the couple vacationing in Texas where Mrs. Wilder's brother resides.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Balasa announce the engagement of their daughter, Tillie, to Mr. Robert Sowders, Jr., of Danville, with the wedding to take place in Early September.

Russell Burke and Byron Doom had the misfortune to be involved in a traffic accident on August 11 en route from Lexington to Danville. The car was almost completely demolished but Russell and Byron escaped with but minor injuries.

Mrs. Russell Burke has returned home to Danville after a brief visit to the home of her parents in London, Ky., and local people are going to miss the Carl Woolseys who have moved to Burgin, Ky.

The Alfred Marshalls are still busy getting settled in their new home. Alfred has had an electric saw and drill installed in the basement and plans to make a dining room suite as soon as time permits.

OHIO . . .

Members of the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club have been enjoying a pleasant, activity-filled summer, with more still to come before the first touch of frost.

Chairmanned by William Busby, the Men's Club of the G.C.S.C. held an outing at "Shady Shores," a pleasant fishing lake and park on the southern edge of Covington, Ky., Sunday, July 22. Because of the heat, attendance was small but those that did attend thoroughly enjoyed themselves playing the various games available or just sitting around talking and trying to keep cool. The refreshment stand received a heavy play throughout the day. It was during the drawing for door prizes that a minor miracle took place, according to Ray Grayson, for Ray actually held a winning ticket and was able to cart home a sizeable ham of some ten pounds. The Grayson family ate rather well the following week. A very nice profit was realized and Bill Busby is to be congratulated for the well-planned affair.

Just a week later on, Sunday, July 29, the Women's Club of the G.C.S.C. sponsored an all-day picnic at Meadowbrook Park. A

rented truck hauled a good number of picnickers to the park while others used their own cars. The girls prepared and sold the kind of picnic lunch for which they are becoming noted and almost everyone enjoyed a cool dip in the swimming pool, everyone except those with children in tow. Parents spent most of the time supervising the youngsters on the play-ground apparatus. This was another pleasant event which helps make local summers so enjoyable. Tho we forget who was chairman of the picnic, we noticed Lucy Huddleston, Ella Beausches, Rosemary McHugh, Ann Garretson, and others, working mighty hard.

One of the funniest socials ever held at the local Club took place August 18, when Messrs. Stapleton and Uhrig arranged a "Hard Times" affair for the benefit of the Softball team. The boys were endeavoring to raise funds so that they could attend the tournament in Cleveland September 1-2-3. Most of the boys really went to town when it came to costumes. Some of them looked as if they had been caught in a wringer. Fewer of the girls appeared in costume, but they equalled the boys in digging up ancient rags and tags. Harriet Duning was adjudged the best, or perhaps the worst, for she looked positively pitiful. George Mangold took first prize for the boys. As befitted the occasion, the prizes were boxes of groceries and each contestant was awarded a can of, you guessed it, beans.

Early in June, Ann Garretson returned home for the summer vacation from Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., where she took first prize in a contest for dress construction. On the 21st she departed for St. Louis to attend a five-day reunion at the Central School for the Deaf.

Regret is universal in Cincinnati over the serious illness of Mrs. William Hoy, who has been ill for a number of months. Her husband, Billy Hoy of baseball fame, has not been at the club lately as he is in constant attendance to his wife,—a partner of more than 50 years of married life. Club members are rooting for Mrs. Hoy's recovery.

The G.C.S.C. has scheduled a number of interesting events for the summer, chiefly out-doors, and the members are looking forward to the many events coming up. One of

the most interesting and anticipated will be the boat ride scheduled for September 16. Out-of-town visitors will be welcome on this excursion and reservations can be made through Hilbert Duning, the Commodore for the Day.

ANNIVERSARY

On June 30, Christine and Arthur Morlock celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home in Cheviot. A crowd of some 30 friends and relatives were on hand to offer congratulations and wish them another 25 years of married life. They received many wonderful gifts suited to the occasion. The Morlocks later departed on a nine-day bus tour as far South as Key West, Fla., on a second honeymoon.

Some months ago Division No. 10, NFSD, voted to move from the old quarters in the Brotherhood Bank Building to the G.C.S.C., mainly because of increasing rental costs. The old place had been the scene of the division's meetings on the first Sunday of the month, instead of the second, as had been the custom for more years than most of us care to remember. The change will be watched with interest. The first meeting on the third floor of the club was held Saturday, July 7, with a large attendance.

Margie Kelley and her mother flew west the first of July to visit relatives in California. She will have much to tell us "stay-at-homes" when she returns.

During the month of July, Ray Grayson was one of those most forlorn of all male creatures—an enforced bachelor,—while his wife and daughter were away visiting relatives in eastern Kentucky. Ray looked so forlorn at the prospect of a month of restaurant meals, that many of his friends took pity upon him and he was invited to dinner quite frequently during his wife's absence.

Mrs. Pauline Wilkerson, widow of James Wilkerson, has sold her home in Oakley, a Cincinnati suburb, and on August 1 moved to Danville, Ky., her home town, with her two children, to live with her parents. She will be missed by her many Cincinnati friends, but she will not be entirely amongst strangers, for many of the local deaf make frequent trips to Danville, the site of the Kentucky School.

Our Ohio Correspondent is Ray Grayson, 6626 Chestnut St.; Cincinnati 17, Ohio.

OREGON . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Himmelschein, Los Angeles, and Mr. and Mrs. William West, Hayward, Calif., stopped in Salem for a day's visit with the George Hills. They were homeward bound from the Chicago NFSD Convention.

Harry Gardner and son of Alberta, were in Salem during the summer as guests at the homes of T. A. Lindstrom and George Hill. Harry graduated from the Oregon school in '07 and from Gallaudet in '12.

Mr. and Mrs. Delos Nellis and daughters, took a three-week trip through Wash., Idaho, Mont., the Dakotas, Minn., Iowa, Mo., and Ark. In South Dakota, they stopped over to visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rebitske are enjoying that beautiful '51 Plymouth sedan they purchased in June. What is more, Arthur has been transferred from the night shift to the day shift after some thirteen years. He is employed as gardener around the grounds of the Capitol and other state buildings.

Rev. George Ring and Mrs. Ring, in company with their two daughters, spent several weeks visiting their people in Illinois the end of the summer; Mr. and Mrs. William Toll vacationed at Yellowstone Park, returning via Eugene, Ore., where they attended Mr. Toll's grandniece's wedding; Mr. and Mrs. Konrad

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Hokanson and children spent several days on the coast of Oregon, making the trip in their recently-purchased '47 Ford. Several days were spent visiting Mrs. Hokanson's folks before they returned to Portland.

Friends of Mrs. George Hill surprised her by giving a birthday party in her honor August 11. Several interesting outdoor games were enjoyed and a delicious snack was served the guests by Mesdames O'Brien, Lauby, and Toll, who planned the party.

The Salem Chapter of the OAD held a business meeting in the Mayflower Recreational Hall August 10 at which several changes were made in the Constitution and By-Laws. All the Association's officers were re-elected: Thomas Ulmer, pres.; Jimmy Jackson, v.-pres., Kenneth Jamieson, sec'y; and Mrs. George Hill, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hummel, accompanied by their two children, Nathan and Sandra, motored to Minnesota to spend a week with Mrs. Hummel's family. En route they stopped at Yellowstone Park, the Black Hills of South Dakota, and Mt. Rushmore Memorial. In South Dakota they visited Ray's birthplace. They had planned on a longer vacation, but Ray was called back to work so they were away only two weeks.

Royal Teets recently traded his car, a Mercury, in on a '51 Ford convertible. The new vehicle is visible for miles, being of the brightest shade of maroon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Fritch and son, Ronnie, spent a week touring Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., which they say are the most beautiful cities they've ever seen.

Others who have traded in their older makes of automobiles include the Milton Hills who recently traded in their small coupe for a large '49 Chevrolet four-door sedan. Now the entire Hill family can enjoy Sunday jaunts.

Oregon news should be sent to Georgia Ulmer, 2030 Hazel Ave., Salem, Ore.

MINNESOTA . . .

After a restful respite, our Minnesota correspondent, Leo Latz, is back in the groove gathering news.

The Frank Kohlroser family, Moorhead, Minn., were summer visitors to the Twin Cities. Before attending the Minn. Ass'n of the Deaf convention, Frank dropped in to visit at the Minneapolis Star and Tribune plant. He is a linotype operator in Fargo, N.D.

Another visitor was Mrs. Bertha Harris, Missoula, Mont. She attended the MAD picnic at Phalen Park and was quite pleased to meet former school mates Earl Daldwell, Fred O'Donnell, and Jacob Roberts after a lapse of fifty long years.

Gerald Burstein, an instructor at the Minn. School, spent several days as the guest of the Sam Sagels before driving down to Fulton, Mo., for the Teacher's Convention. Accompanying him were Velma Halvorson and Frances Hatten. Following the Convention, Gerald proceeded alone to Brooklyn where he spent most of the summer rooting for the "Bums".

A golf club was formed during the summer by members of the Minnepaul Oral Ass'n of the Deaf with play scheduled to begin July 1 and continue for 12 successive Sundays. However, only three members, Bob Carlson, Roger Lewison, and Lea Latz, showed up for the first round.

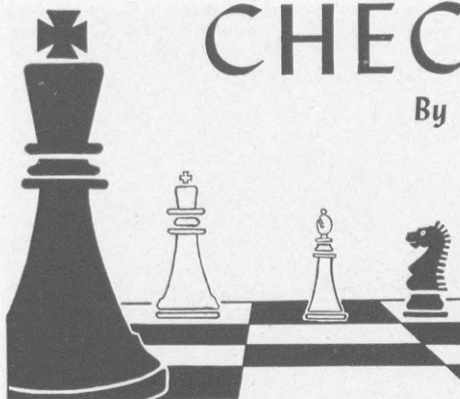
Mike Sherniawski, Flint, Mich., and Gallaudet '48, dropped in at Thompson Hall twice during the summer. Byron B. Burnes and his wife, Caroline, also stopped over in Fari-bault on their way to Chicago. They were guests of the Hubert Sellners.

Joe Feely, St. Paul, one of the most eligible bachelors about town, is sporting a new Plymouth Station Wagon having sold his old and troublesome Buick. Others who have acquired new cars are the Evan Ellises of

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CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" Ladner



Last month we told you about Russell Chauvenet, who apparently has the best record among active deaf players of this country. As his picture came too late to be made into a cut, we are displaying it this month. We shall be hearing more about this promising young man.



ELMIL S. LADNER

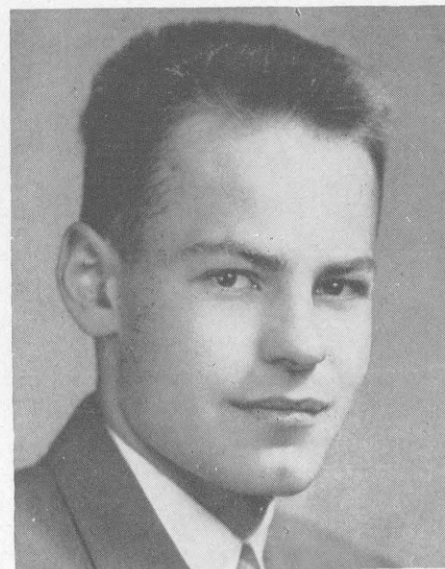
Results of the National Tournament of the Deaf: There have been no changes in Section One. However, in Section Two, Kannapell registered a victory over Ladner and thus upped his score to 8-1. Ladner fell to third place with 4½-2½. Cohen won one and drew the other with Dunn. So Cohen has a score of 6½-½ and Dunn has 4½-4½. Play has been slow during the summer months, due to vacations.

Entrees have been coming in for the Second National Chess Tournament sponsored by THE SILENT WORKER. We have extended the deadline so that others may have a chance to enter. Many copies were held up due to the destruction of part of the mailing list in a fire at the mailing office. Among the entries are Larry Leitson of Cleveland, Lowell Myers of Chicago. Juan F. Font of New York City, Robert H. Kannapell of Louisville, J. W. Stevenson and M. D. Garretson of Great Falls, Montana, Leandro Maldonado of Berkeley, Troy Hill of Dallas, and William Dunn of Linden, New Jersey. We expect several others. As soon as sections are formed, each player will receive his instructions.

Chess Problems

The solution to Problem 1 of last month was R-B8. This allows the Queen to mate at B-7 after Black captures the pawn. This problem would never win any high prize because of the limited number of moves that Black can make. The better problems allow Black a number of defenses so that solving is difficult and the variations are interesting.

Problem No. 2 is somewhat harder but do not be afraid of trying it. A hint is that the key move is one you

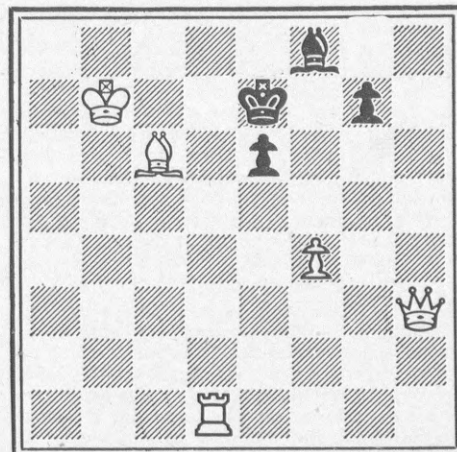


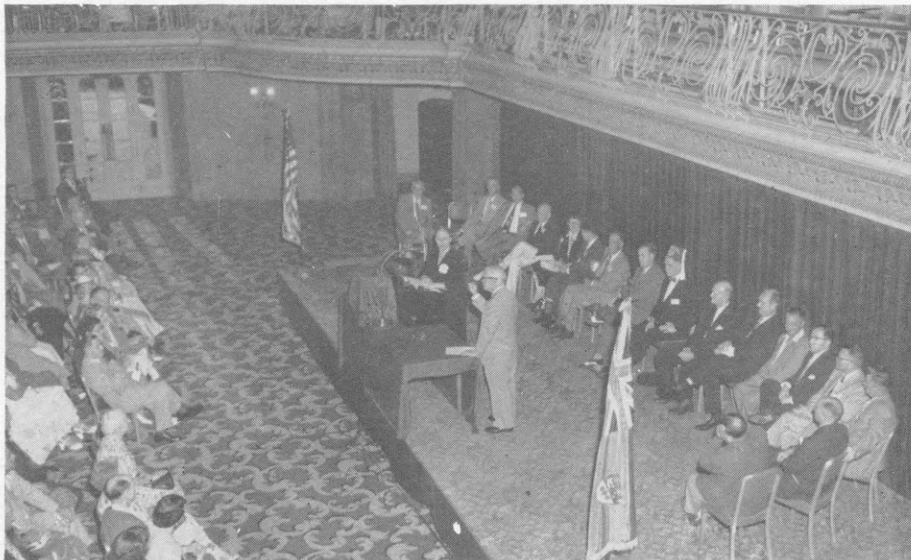
RUSSELL CHAUVENET

would not make in a real game. It would look like a bad blunder.

The Los Angeles Club had been inactive for some time but has come alive with a bang, as results testify. The Club meets in rotation at homes of members, usually on Wednesday night once a month. The first tournament had the following results so far, but after it is over, the next tournament will be a handicap affair, with the better players giving handicaps to the weaker ones: Bob Skinner, 8-0; Einer Rosenkjar, 8-0; Alvin Dyson, 4½-1½; Tage Samuelson, 7-3; Foster Gilbert, 7-3; Fred Klein, 2½-2½; F. Caligiuri, 2½-3½; Leonard Meyer, 2-6; Art Newman, 2-3; Frank Bush, ½-2½; Herman Leon, 1-5; Joe Divita, ½-5½; Roger Skinner, 0-2; Roland Mueller,, 0-2; Faye Palmer, 0-7.

Other chess clubs among the deaf are urged to send in their results for publication in this column.





President Arthur L. Roberts opens N.F.S.D. convention in grand ballroom, Hotel Stevens, Chicago. — Rogers Crocker photo

SWinging . . .

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Faribault, a '51 Mercury; Opal Coffman, '51 Plymouth; and Supt. Howard Quigley, a '51 Chev.

Mrs. Anna Coffman of Minneapolis really had a wonderful summer, making a round trip by plane to Seattle, Wash., where she attended the WSAD convention.

Local residents who took in the NFSD Convention in Chicago were the Steve Butolas, the Dwight Mitchells, the William Wilczeks, Herman Von Hippels, Howard Johnsons, Gordon Allens, Lloyd Carlsons, Clara Montgomery, Hattie Lee, Katie Leerhoff, the Harry Ginsburgs, Helmer Hagel, Joe Feely, Wayne Ranta, and Leo Latz.

HOLE IN ONE

While playing golf sometime ago in St. Paul, Sheldon Taubert realized a golfer's dream, that of scoring a hole in one. There were several witnesses and thus a story about Sheldon's feat appeared in the St. Paul newspaper. It is believed that Sheldon is the first among deaf golfers to accomplish a hole in one. Any challengers?

George Hanson, Faribault, took a job at Nappin Furniture and Glass Shop during the summer. Wilfred Lazarz has been employed at Nappin's for several years and is considered a valuable employee. Hub Sellner also worked there part time before moving west to Berkeley, Calif.

Herbert Johnson accompanied the Conrad Setrans on their recent motor jaunt to Seattle, Wash., to visit Mrs. Setran's parents.

The Sam Sagels, accompanied by Mrs. Oscar Lauby and daughter, took a two-week motor trip East during the summer, spending a week in New York with Mrs. Clara Nesgood and Gerald Burstein. Mrs. Nesgood accompanied the travelers back home and spent a week as guest of the Laubys. She stopped over in Chicago for the Frat conclave before returning to NYC.

IOWA . . .

Our July 14 Frat meeting was honored by the presence of National Vice-pres., and Mrs. Einer Rosenkjar of Los Angeles, who were en route to the big conclave in Chicago. Einer is a former Iowa boy who has made good out in California and everyone was overjoyed at his brief visit in Des Moines.

The golfers of Des Moines scored the most points in the recent tournament in Chicago and are again at the top. Wilbur Sawhill placed third in Class A; Eldon Moon, second in Class B; and Robert Grant, second in Class C. We expect a large turn-out when the tournament is held here in Des Moines next year.

Des Moines is busily preparing for the coming basket ball season with Gerald Froehle as manager.

Clem and Ida Thompson have returned home from California, where they spent their three weeks vacation in and around Los Angeles and Long Beach. Clem bemoans the \$6 he lost at a gambling joint in Nevada but, cheer up, Clem, it could have been much worse. The Walter DeArmonds are showing numerous snapshots taken during their vacation which was also spent in colorful California.

Forced to detour due to the floods in Kansas City, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Sibley, of Effingham, Ill., surprised Mr. and Mrs. Koons in Des Moines the middle of July when they dropped in for a brief visit. Wilbur is well known in Des Moines, having lived and worked in this city years ago. Old friends gave him a rousing welcome and were happy to meet the charming Mrs. Sibley.

LOUISIANA . . .

The past summer found most of the deaf folk traveling hither and yon, bent upon spending their vacations almost anywhere rather than at home. To sum up most of the vacationers: Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Marsala, Monroe, to Port Arthur, Texas; J. L. Moon, Shreveport, to Birmingham, Ala., where he landed a better job and decided to remain; Mr. and Mrs. L. O. May, Hodge, La., to Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Angelo Palazzo, New Orleans, to San Francisco, Calif., to visit her daughter; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bells, Monroe, to New Orleans; and another who has forsaken Louisiana is Horace Roy of New Orleans. Horace is working in Chicago and is greatly missed by all of us.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin LeFleur are being congratulated upon the purchase of a lovely new house in Baton Rouge. The new abode has seven spacious rooms and is everything that the LeFleurs desire in a home. Martin, incidentally, is a barber by trade, so it will be no chore at all for him to trim the lawn and clip the hedges.

One hundred sixty persons attended the New Orleans Frat Banquet in the middle of the summer. Among those from other states

were Mr. and Mrs. Clennan Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Harvey, all of Houston, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. Roy McAllister, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dry and family, along with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Corbitt, of Baton Rouge and Shreveport, were house guests of the Harold Moore Jones in Jonesboro at different times during the past summer, and Elaine Liner spent the summer with her parents in Ruston before returning to complete her senior year at Gallaudet in September.

Miss Frances Fanquay visited in New Orleans as the house guest of Mrs. Anthony Moreau. Frances hails from Houma, where she is the owner of a thriving beauty shop. Other visitors to New Orleans during the Frat Banquet and other festivities were G. G. Barham and Everett Frellue, both of Oak Ridge, La.

CONNECTICUT . . .

At the recent Frat Convention in Chicago, the Lee Clarks held a grand reunion with their daughter, Rhoda, who journeyed all the way from Los Angeles to be with them.

If you look closely, you'll notice a sparkler on the third finger-left hand of Hazel Waite. Joseph Kindred, Indianapolis, is the fortunate young man.

A recent Gallaudet graduate, Bernadette Gallagher, will be Assistant Dean of Girls at the American School for the Deaf when school opens in September.

The New Haven Catholic Deaf Club enjoyed an outing to Sachem's Head, Guilford, on July 29. A parishoner of Father Mulready's kindly loaned the use of her home and private beach. Members spent quite a day bathing in both the sun and sea and some of them sought the shade where games of croquet and canasta were enjoyed.

Marie Youngs spent the summer in Connecticut with her married daughter, Agatha, and other relatives. Marie lived in West Haven before moving south to Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vinci and their young boy spent a week with Mrs. Vinci's parents in Maryland during the past summer. A side trip was made to Ocean City, where they spent many hours bathing in the sea and promenading along the boardwalk.

Verna Cechnicki and Carrie Paulposki, desiring something different in the way of a vacation, motored to Canada during the summer. They visited in Quebec, Montreal, Niagara Falls, and took in almost all the sights, including St. Joseph's Shrine and the Wax Museum.

Other travel-minded people were the Rockwells of West Hartford, who drove north to Maine taking their son back to college for the summer session. They then drove down to Maryland to visit relatives and to Philadelphia where they picked up Mrs. Rockwell's mother, who has been alternately living with each of her five children, and brought her home with them.

Loy Golladay journeyed to Wisconsin to bring his wife and daughter home from a visit with relatives. As Loy was to pass through Buffalo, he took Walter Durian along with him. Walter visited with his daughter Connie, and her family in Kenmore, a suburb of Buffalo, until the Golladay family called for him on their return trip.

An unfortunate accident befell Mrs. Mary DiCosimo when the back porch railing on the second floor of her home gave way and she plunged to the ground. She suffered a frac-

NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Guiffre have purchased a five-room house on South Quaker Lane in West Hartford. A lovely housewarming party was given them by the Rakows on July 22 and among the many gifts were a number of beautiful Japanese items.

tured right elbow and hip which hospitalized her for five weeks. At present she's staying with her mother until she is well enough to return to her own home.

During Edmund Fresher's vacation, the first part of July, he and his wife Jo and daughter Nancy rented a cottage at White Sand Beach for a week and invited the Eckers and their two children to be their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Cassetti have returned home to Connecticut after living three years in Gooding, Idaho, where Edmund taught school. A welcome-home party, in the form of a picnic, was given the couple on the terrace of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor's home on the Fourth of July.

A bridal shower was tendred Helen Knox by Annie Langevin and Dorothy Post on July 14. Helen plans to be married sometime in August.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lux's home was rather crowded recently when one of their married daughters, her husband, and their four small children spent a week with them.

Rae Martino is spending the summer at a girls' camp in East Hartland, Conn., as a swimming counselor, the same job she held last summer. There are four deaf girls from the American School for the Deaf at the camp. Whenever Rae has a day off she drives down to visit with friends and relatives.

Several postcards came in from Connecticut people taking in the NFSD Convention in Chicago; Russel Stecker, John and Caroline Moran, Clarence Baldwin, and Joe and Barbara Augustine.

CALIFORNIA . . .

Helen Lemberger, a visitor from England, returned to the British Isles recently after spending six months in Los Angeles. However, she was so impressed by the USA that she plans to return after the first of the year and remain permanently. She was tendered a farewell party at the home of the Joe Hettlers on August 18. Her many friends presented her with a beautiful set of matched luggage.

Alvin Klugman likes his '51 Ford so much that he has been putting an average of a thousand miles a month on the new car. And as he seldom goes outside Los Angeles, that is quite something.

Edgar and Thelma Anderson enjoyed a brief visit to Denver, Colo., during the summer and Edgar managed to get in some trout fishing tho' we do not know just what luck he had. Edgar is more accustomed to ocean fishing anyway.

The end of August saw the return of Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Park and children from a three week visit to Texas. Ellen Grimes, with baby Virgil, and daughters, also returned to San Pedro August 26. Native Texans, they appreciate California more than ever after having endured the miserable heat wave which struck Texas during August.

Frank Pucetti returned home to Albuquerque, N.M. in August after spending two months with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gallegos and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Castle. Bobby Cruce, a student at the Olathe, Kan., school, also returned home after spending the summer with his sister in Garden Grove, Calif.

Betty Bedard, Waterloo, Ia., paid her first visit to California when she visited her sister and other relatives in Long Beach during August. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ames and daughter, of Oakland, were also in town stopping to visit the Herman Skedsmo's in nearby Compton. Mrs. Dala George entertained a Chicago visitor during August, a Mrs. Olive Tresee. Olive spent six happy weeks in Long Beach at the homes of her sister and son. Also in town during the latter part of the summer were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Pangrac, of Minnesota, who were delighted to see so many former Minnesotans who reside in Los Angeles and vicinity.

The August exodus included Naomi Chris-

tensentensen, Long Beach, who spent her vacation with Charles and Florita Corey in Oakland; Hope and Earl Beasley, Compton, who motored up to Yosemite stopping en route to see Frank Davis who is employed on a housing project at Castle Air Base near Merced, California. Elberta, Frank's wife, accompanied the Beasleys, so that she might spend the week end with Hubby. Elberta returned to Los Angeles by bus whilst the Beasleys continued on to Yosemite and thence to the San Francisco Bay area.

Mrs. Jessie Dobson, after spending the summer in Tucson, Ariz., came up to Los Angeles for a week before returning to her job at the Santa Fe, N.M. school the end of August. She visited at the homes of Mesdames Nelson and Ornberg while in Los Angeles.

Did we tell you that Emory and Evelyn Gerichs have bought a '51 Plymouth? And Lloyd James is riding around town in a '51 Studebaker. Dwight Holmes has acquired a '51 Chevrolet.

Envious stay-at-homes have been deluged with postal cards from lucky people like the Jacob Goldsteins, the Simon Himmelscheins, the Frank Eggers, and John Curtin, all of whom took extensive side tours following the NFSD convention. The Goldsteins postaled from Atlantic City, N.J., and the Himmelscheins took in almost every sight of interest on their way back West. The Eggers spent six weeks in Michigan, returning via Yellowstone Park and Reno. John Curtin tops them all, however, with an itinerary which included almost every large city in the U.S. and Canada, and consumed the greater part of three months. However, the latest post-card comes from western Canada and Joan's friends think perhaps he will be coming back home to Southgate ere very long now.

The Los Angeles Club's Queen of Cotton

Dance was quite an attractive event of the past summer under the capable leadership of Evelyn Gerichs and Frank and Carolyn Pokorak. Judges Mary Sladek, Geraldine Fail, John Schumacher, Bill Tyhurst, and E. Bardfield selected Eleanor Elmassian and Frank Pokorak as King and Queen whilst young Ruth Woodward carried off honors for the prettiest cotton dress. Little Dianne Dyer won the prize for the children's division.

The Long Beach Club sponsored a Beach Party and Grunion Hunt at Huntington Beach August 4 which was attended by well over a hundred would-be fishermen. The grunion came in on the high tide at 10:45 that evening and almost everyone caught several of the little silver fish. Grunion, it is interesting to note, are caught by hand only, and almost everyone was in the pounding surf minus their shoes and quite a few of them got a severe dunking when they became so engrossed that they forgot to watch for the incoming breakers. Food and drink were dispensed by the committee, Mary Sladek, James Haddon, Val Cookson, and Geraldine Fail. Bonfires burned along the beach until long past midnight. Another grunion hunt took place August 18, but the little fish failed to show up in any great number and Beulah Morgan displayed the only one caught that evening.

Other visitors to the Southland during the summer were Mr. and Mrs. Max Brown, of South Carolina, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harper of Virginia.

Julia Kwitkie probably spent what was the happiest summer of her life when she was able to spend five long, glorious weeks visiting her brother and deaf nephew, Bill Martin, in Canada, and then to Detroit, Chicago, and St. Louis, returning home the end of August. Bernard, unfortunately, was unable to accompany Julia, remaining at home in Los

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Angeles. If he had been able to go with her, the trip would have been even more enjoyable. It was the first time in 28 years that Julia had been back home to Canada whence she came, and her pleasure and happiness at being able to revisit the scenes of her childhood are easily understood.

Our own Kenneth Willman, representing the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf, was one of the principal speakers at the opening of the Washington State Association of the Deaf Convention which took place in Seattle, Washington, the 30th of June and ended July 4. Kenneth was accompanied by his diminutive wife, Cecile, and spent many happy days in the Northwest before returning south.

Cecile Willman enchanted the SILENT WORKER's News Editor, Geraldine Fail, by bringing over a copy of the "Silent Worker" issued during the year 1921 and containing an article about Cecile when she was known as the attractive Miss Hunter, an instructor at a dancing school conducted by her sister in Ithaca, N.Y. The Worker, in those days, was almost twice as large as the magazine of today, with many interesting articles by Alice Terry and other well-known writers who have since passed away. Picture on the cover showed Cecile with two young male pupils and was the object of much interest, especially the wearing apparel, which seemed almost comical to those who viewed the photograph. Jack Heddon, Mary Sladek, Willa Dudley, Ethel Himmelschein, and Mrs. Art Newman spent some time poring over the yellowed copy Cecile treasures so much and Toivo Lindholm was so interested that it took little urging to induce him to do an article on Cecile for the modern SILENT WORKER. Perhaps Cecile's copy will induce many more readers of the magazine to get their copies bound into volumes, because some twenty years hence, the magazine will be even more interesting than it is today.

Goldye DeCastro took a plane for New York City the first week of September planning to spend ten days with relatives in New Jersey and then to St. Louis, Mo., to visit a brother before flying back to Los Angeles. Incidentally, Mr. and Mrs. DeCastro are the owners of a stylish '51 Chevrolet Power-Glide.

Edith Schmidt has been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. John Suite and Mrs. Harry Phillips, all of Indiana, the past summer. During August, Edith took them down to visit places of interest in San Diego and Tia Juana, Mex.

The deaf of Southern California, and deaf residents of many other parts of the state, extend sincere sympathy to Julian Gardner

upon the loss of his beloved father, who died July 26 following a heart attack. Death was instantaneous and without pain. Mr. Gardner, Sr., was well known to most of the deaf of California, having accompanied many of them on various hunting, camping, and fishing trips down the years. He had been more than just a father to Julian, he was a pal, a confidante, and sympathetic adviser to his only son. Julian's mother is making her home with him and Lucille in East Los Angeles and Julian is happy to have his mother at his side during this troubled time.

Off to Las Vegas during the Labor Day week-end were Mrs. De Castro, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Martin, the Emory Gerichs, and the Max Thompsons. Bea and Walter Morgan visited San Diego the end of August and then to Phoenix, Ariz., during the Labor Day holidays. The reason? Putting mileage on the new station wagon, a Willys, that Walter bought quite suddenly a week before. Seems that the little red Crosley station wagon was becoming much too small for carting the Morgan friends around and Walter insists it is no fun having a car and going places unless you can take others with you.

Robert Le Moux of N. D., and Mrs. Rou of Florida are spending the end of the summer with Los Angeles' Betty Blanchard; Lela Williams spent her summer vacation in Salt Lake City; Clarence Doane and Milton Miller took in the Chicago convention and then went on to NYC and Wash., D.C.; Mrs. Art McCaw spent her three weeks with her folks in Detroit, leaving Art behind in Los Angeles, feeling mighty lonesome; the Julian Gardners took Julian's mother and other friends with them to Big Pines over the Labor Day week end.

NEW YORK . . .

June is not only the month for weddings. It is also the month for celebrating wedding anniversaries. The week-end of June 10, Mr. and Mrs. Franz Ascher, who were married just 14 years ago, and Mr. and Mrs. Juan Font, who have 11 years to look back on, took a trip to Atlantic City, N.J. by way of commemorating their respective anniversaries. Despite the bad weather at the time, both couples enjoyed a good rest and recovered to some degree from the hard work they put in at the recent NAD Rally Night.

Members of the Laro Club and their guests enjoyed an outing to Fire Island the last of June, chartering a 44-foot cabin cruiser. An added treat, delicious clam chowder, was served to everyone by the wife of the skipper, Capt. Benson.

NEW SCHOOL

Lutheran Friends of the Deaf, Inc., announce the opening of Mill Neck Manor, Lutheran School for the Deaf, at Mill Neck, L.I. Classes will be from kindergarten through junior high and dedication took place on Sunday, September 23, with the first day of school being September 26. Mr. Melvin Luebke, a graduate of Concordia Teacher's College of River Forest, Ill., and Wayne University of Michigan, has been appointed superintendent. Mr. Luebke formerly taught at the Concordia Lutheran School in Louisville, Ky., and at the Lutheran Institute in Detroit.

Charles B. Terry drove up to Chicago alone to attend the NFSD Convention but was accompanied by the Marcus Kenners and Luba Gutman on the return trip as far as Buffalo. Terry's passengers returned to New York by plane from Buffalo, whilst he and Norton Rednick of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Epstein of Brooklyn, travelled on to Canada to visit various points of interest. In all, Mr. Terry covered almost four thousand miles.

A year ago, Margaret E. Jackson's parents celebrated their Golden Wedding with a reception at Margaret's sister's home in Claymount, Delaware. This year, Margaret's Aunt and Uncle who live in Maryland entertained friends at their Golden Wedding anniversary in Dover, Delaware. A lot of gifts, all with a touch of Midas, were received on both occasions.

Vacationers and the sites of their respective vacations the past summer were: Mrs. Alice Whitmore to Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Edna Kriegshaber, and her daughter Sally, to the Walther League Convention in St. Louis; Sarah Sandler, of Montreal, to Chicago and New York; Charles Terry to Chicago; Griffin Fitzhugh and family on a trip which included the Sky-line Drive.

Mary Curtin and Jeanne Edgar gave a belated baby shower for Mrs. Betty Halligan at Betty's home in Lakeview, L.I. June 16. Those present were Estelle Jarmark, Joan Ernst, Lauren Roth, Mrs. Joseph Miller, Dicksey Prebe, Margaret O'Brien, Patricia Griggs and Charlotte Abbot.

Muriel Dvorak spent quite some time nursing an injured right arm but is now back on the job. A small rug on a too-highly-polished floor resulted in a bad fall, which should teach Muriel to be less generous with floor wax.

Mahlon Hoag, Endicott, is out of circulation for the time being. Suffering a heart attack at the very start of his summer vacation, Mahlon spent two weeks as a patient at Ideal Hospital. He is home again at this writing but a long convalescence is indicated. A brand new 17" Admiral TV set makes his recuperation much more pleasant.

Mrs. Lucretia King, Alphonse Shelski, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lake, and Div. Delegate Sydney Armfield and Mrs. Armfield, attended the Frat Convention in Chicago. Upon returning home, Mrs. King paused just long enough to take a breather and then took off again, this time to the White Mountains where she greatly enjoyed the "Christmas Village" and Santa Claus. Then too, she escaped the recent heat wave.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Leach, of Johnson City, traveled 443 miles on the first day of their three-week vacation in August. Ten days were spent with relatives and friends in Clarksburg, W. Va., and then to Romney where they visited Cliff's Alma Mater and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seaton. The beautiful caverns of Luray were the next stop and from there they went on to Wash., D.C., to the home of Clifford's sister. The entire trip,

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some 1,700 miles, was made without a mishap.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lydon, Duluth, Minn., spent part of the summer touring the East, a part of the country they had never seen before. Their itinerary included Arlington, Vt., and New York City, thence to Endicott where they surprised their former neighbors, the Mahlon Hoags. It was the first get-together in fifteen years for the Lydons and the Hoags who were all at school together years ago. The four of them, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hink of Binghampton, motored to Rome to the home of Ralph Hoag at Delta Lake and were also guests of Mrs. Annie Lashbrook. After a brief visit to the Rome School for the Deaf, the Lydons drove on to Chicago to attend the Frat Convention and then to Milwaukee before returning home.

Samuel Shah, Rome, N.Y., spent a recent two weeks in New York City and Mr. and Mrs. George Dix, of Walton, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stafford in Oxford for a week.

ARKANSAS . . .

News in this column seems to deal largely with the activities of our deaf citizens during the summer vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ward journeyed to New Mexico via Texas by bus on what was their first trip outside the state in more than 20 years; Luther Shibley and two children motored out to California for two months with relatives; Mr. and Mrs. Race Drake and family spent two weeks touring Georgia and Florida; the Hal Adcocks and daughter drove up to Springfield, Mo., and then to the Frat Convention in Chicago; Rev. and Mrs. Jones and the W. T. Walls visited in Washington, D.C., at the home of the J. Drakes; Opal Fulmer and Edna Hutchins spent three weeks "doing" the Frat Convention, NYC, Wash., D.C., and Philadelphia.

Visitors were Pauline Tubb, Luther Taylor and wife, and Mrs. Jake Jackson, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crow; William Suttka, Chicago.

We must not forget Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hill, who enjoyed a lovely summer touring the west on their vacation jaunt with their daughter and son-in-law.

Charlotte Collums, and daughter Cindy, made their annual trek north, where they took

Mrs. Anna L. Hoy Dies in Cincinnati

Mrs. Anna Lowery Hoy, wife of William E. Hoy, died at her home in Cincinnati on September 24 after a long illness.

Educated at the Cincinnati Oral School and at the Ohio School for the Deaf, Mrs. Hoy became a teacher of lip reading, being herself one of the best lip readers in the nation.

Before illness forced her to curtail her activities, Mrs. Hoy took an active part in all affairs among the deaf of Cincinnati and among the hard of hearing. She will be sorely missed.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoy were married in 1898, when he was a noted big league baseball star, one of the only two deaf players who have ever attained distinction in major league baseball.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Hoy leaves a son Carson, Common Pleas Judge in Cincinnati, and a daughter, Mrs. Clover Skaggs, wife of Dr. Marshall L. Skaggs, of San Francisco.



Above are the beauty contestants who sought the crown of Miss N.F.S.D. at the Chicago convention. They represented divisions of the Society scattered all over the United States. Winners appear on the cover of this month's SILENT WORKER. In the center is Miss N.F.S.D. who represented Oak Park—not a division, but the home of the Home Office. She is Miss Barbara Timmons. At the left is Ethel Creighton, runner-up, representing the Brooklyn division. At the right on the cover, is Vivian Mathias, Miss Oregon, and third place winner. — Rogers Crocker photo.

in the Frat Convention and spent the remainder of the time in Milwaukee. Charlotte is local correspondent for the News Dept. of the WORKER.

The Little Rock Ass'n held a watermelon social at the Clubhouse the first Saturday in August. Ted Marsden had everyone counting the seeds in their hunks of melon and then awarded the grand prize to the person with the least number. Something different!

A brand new house is taking shape on a certain lot in town. Proud owners are Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Westfall with Sherman doing most of the building himself, being a carpenter by trade.

The Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist Church held their annual outing on Petit Jean Mountain August 5. Fried chicken was served in large quantities and a wonderful time was had by all. Miss Virginia Ward, a teacher at the Kentucky School, was a visitor and it is said that she gained a couple of pounds that day.

TEXAS . . .

The Dallas Silent Club continues to grow and prosper. At a recent meeting members of the Club voted to raise monthly dues to \$1, instead of fifty cents, but the additional half buck will go into the Club's building fund and will draw 3% interest for each member. Some day, in the not-too-distant future, the deaf folk of Dallas will be able to boast of the finest clubhouse anywhere.

Visiting friends in San Angelo and other cities, is Mrs. Virgil Grimes of San Pedro, Calif. She arrived late in July accompanied by her two daughters and infant son and expects to remain until September. Virgil, meanwhile, remains at home in California, being unable to leave his job.

Other visitors to Texas from California are Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Park, also of San Pedro, and their two children. Mrs. Park will be remembered as the former Cora Grimes, sister of Virgil Grimes. They are visiting relatives in Paris, Tex. during most of August.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Myers entertained numerous friends at their new home on Junius Street in Dallas on Sunday, July 15, when they held an Open House. The new house is bright and shiny-new, and the Myers are delighted with everything about it.

The Rov McAllisters (Dorothy Scott) visited in Biloxi, Miss., and New Orleans, La.,

during their July vacation. Other vacationers who left the hot and humid city were the Robert Innans who spent many wonderful days on the beach at Galveston; the William Youngs to Alabama; and Ellis McQueen to Corpus Christi and other Golf points. The Dick Myers also enjoyed the cool surf at Galveston during the summer and the Billie Tippias drove down the valley in their new '51 Dodge to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gaston and other friends.

Visitors to Dallas included Harrison Shirk, Robert Royer, and John Heisey, all of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Larence Schumaker of California, guest of her brother and family, W. W. Sides.

On the sick list during the summer were W. E. Young, major surgery, and Robert Reagan, popular fountain men at the Dallas Club.

Among Dallas residents attending the Okla. Association of the Deaf Convention in Tulsa were Gains Geddies, Robert Hays, and Hillia Bratton who drove their cars up, taking as many passengers as they could crowd into their vehicles. Thurman Dillard went up by plane. The Lavoy Altoms took in the Convention during their vacation trip which in-

FIRE!

As was mentioned in the last number of *The Silent Worker*, a fire in the mailing firm which mails *The Silent Worker* destroyed a large number of our address plates last July. As a result, a number of subscribers failed to receive the July and August numbers.

The mailing lists have been thoroughly checked and an effort has been made to send the July and August numbers to all subscribers whose names were lost in the fire. If you have not received your copies for July and August, please inform *The Silent Worker*, and they will be sent to you.

cluded stops at Buffalo, Georgetown, and finally ended at the home of the Dudley Lewis family in Bertram where, we hear, Lavoy and Dudley got in some good fishing.

A.A.D. TOURNAMENT

The Deaf of Houston are busily raising funds for the Basketball Tournament which will be held in Houston in March '52. Their most recent effort was a dance held at the H.A.D. Hall under the direction of Early McVey and members of the Tournament Committee. A prize of \$25 went to Mrs. Frank Osbolt and Mr. J. C. Marvel for the best performers on the dance floor. Many other events are planned during the coming months in an effort to raise funds for the Tournament which will, we have no doubt, be one of the best ever held.

On July 13 a group of friends and relatives headed by Ruby and Bob Kleberg, banded together to give a belated wedding shower for Edith and Marcus Kleberg in the Recreation Room of the First Baptist Church of Galveston. Among those present were Hazel and Jack Richard, Maude Rush, Mrs. Cowan, the Albert Franks, Marvel and Bob Hurly, Lillian and Jesse Wilson, Louise Benham, Webster Wheeler, and Mrs. Robert Miller Kleberg, mother of Bob and Mark.

Mildred and Maurice Le Blanc haven't been seen around lately. Their little girl was operated on recently for the removal of a cyst above the right eye.

Jack and Hazel Richard made the most of his one-week vacation by driving to visit his folks in Dallas. Jack works as a linotyper on the "Galveston Daily News".

Kentucky Holds Fifteenth Reunion

The Kentucky Association of the Deaf held its Fifteenth Reunion on September 1-3 at Danville, with a large number of members present, many of whom came from distant states.

Honored at the Reunion was Dr. George Morris McClure, who taught at the Kentucky School for more than half a century, and now lives in retirement at his Danville home. His son, Dr. G. M. McClure, Jr., who delivered the address of welcome, is now president of the school Board of Commissioners.

Responses were offered by T. Y. Northern, Denver, Colorado; P. H. Hillard, Nashville, Tenn.; J. B. Beauchamp, Danville; J. F. Royster, Danville; and Dr. M. J. Lee, superintendent of the Kentucky school. Mr. Northern, a graduate of the Kentucky school and a former pupil of Dr. McClure, paid a glowing tribute to the life and work of his old teacher.

The Sunday evening session of the Reunion was given over to an NAD rally and the program was featured by the presence of Lawrence N. Yolles, first vice president of the NAD.

New officers elected were Earl Elkins, president; Claude B. Hoffmeyer, first vice president; James Morrison, second vice president; and Mrs. Maybelle Ewing, third vice president. James Royster and J. B. Beauchamp were re-elected corresponding secretary and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

OKLAHOMA . . .

In an effort to escape the intense heat, many residents of Oklahoma City took to the open road during July and August. Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Lackey visited in Ft. Worth, Tex., whilst Florence Matthews took off to Chicago to visit her daughter and take in the Frat Convention. Jay Cole Minter flew to Houston, Tex., and the Ellis Irbys drove to Konokowa. The Alex Hickerson family drove down to Hollis, Okla., and Vernon, Tex., then on to Tulsa for the OAD Convention, and the Norvel Norris' visited in St. Louis and Springfield, Mo. However, we very much doubt that any of them found the weather any less humid elsewhere.

Notable visitors during the summer were Mrs. Edith B. Hayes from Tucson, Ariz., a retired teacher from the Sulphur school, and Mrs. William West, nee Florence Ratcliff, of Oakland, Calif. Mrs. Hayes was honoree at a party given at the home of the C. P. Lackeys by the Ruby Mission Society during her stay and Mrs. West visited the Okla. City Silent Club, the Sulphur school, and friends in Tulsa before going on to Chicago where she attended the Frat convention in company with Mr. West and Mr. and Mrs. Simon Himmelschein of Los Angeles, Calif.

Harry Rudolph enjoyed visits with his brothers in Antelope and Wichita Falls, Tex. during the summer. He also stopped off at the Fred Smiths in Waurika.

Others who visited Okla. City were Lee Cathey, Wichita Falls, Tex.; Mrs. Floyd Ashcraft, Shawnee, Okla., and Miss Ida Blatti of Sulphur, Okla.

O.A.D. CONVENTION

The 13th annual convention of the Okla. Association of the Deaf took place in Tulsa the end of June and the first of July. An estimated 250 members and visitors registered and much praise is due the Tulsa Committee which was headed by Stan and Naydean McElhaney. Bill Wood gave unstintingly of his time in helping Eula Chaney with numerous details including hotel reservations; the Fred Stapps arranged for the banquet; and Orville Ingle carried off the softball tourney like a veteran. Others who lent valuable assistance were Joe and Cora Stinson and the Ed Hukills.

New officers of the Okla. Ass'n are Guy Calame, pres. (re-elected); Stan McElhaney, v-pres.; Lloyd Bridges, Sec'y (re-elected); and Woodrow Ellis, treas. The '55 Convention will take place in Norman.

Naydean McElhaney now heads the Tulsa Club of the Deaf, having become president at the recent election, and Mrs. William Wood is the new secretary. Stan McElhaney has resigned his position with Hardman's Cleaning Co. and is now employed by the Century Geophysical Co. Upon leaving Hardman's, Stan was given a rousing farewell party by his fellow workers. Others employed by Hardman's include Nadine Davis, Paul Newell, and Leonard Lenhart.

The Okla. City home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hay was the setting for a lovely wedding shower during August honoring the newly wed Harry Catheys. Mrs. Cathey is the former Doran Cleaver. Hostesses were Mrs. Robert Seal, Mrs. Woodrow Ellis, and Miss Irene Sprague. Miss Sprague was a visitor to Okla. City at the time, having come all the way from Los Angeles, Calif. Many out of town guests were present, among them Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Meyers of Wetumka; Mr. and Mrs. L. Dickerson and Murphy Adams of Pauls Valley; Edgar Chitwood, Minco; Floyd Ashcraft, Shawnee; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Damron, Edmond; Al Stephens, Guthrie; Della Netheney, Arkando; Eldon Davis, Muskogee; Billie Parmon, Elk City; and Bernice

Shedek of Yukon. Gifts were piled high and numerous other packages arrived in the mail from those who were unable to be present.

GEORGIA . . .

Vacations are over . . . everybody has a steady job during the world crisis . . . the giant Lockheed plant is located eighteen miles from Atlanta . . . in case war comes, hundreds of the deaf will be employed . . . applications are still on file there.

Everybody in Atlanta was jubilant when the Reverend John W. Stallings, the popular deaf evangelist of Norfolk, Va., and his wife, were able to spend a few days with us. They came to rest and visit with their parents. Travelling through many states and preaching on the way since last January, Rev. Stallings covered over 30,000 miles. He held services here August 15 through the 19th, and all were well attended.

Our conscientious pastor, the Reverend Bob Johnson, was in charge of ceremonies during the revival, and he brought in some prominent visitors. Some of them were Rev. Paul C. Meacham of Kansas City, Kansas; Mrs. Coila Soules of Washington, D.C.; and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Grooms of Canada. Rev. Meacham fell in love with Atlanta on his first visit and is considering moving to sunny Florida to rest and visit here frequently. Mrs. Soules, having developed a wonderful disposition of character, personality, and charm, impressed us with her warm-hearted talks. The Stallings left with our best wishes in their continuation of the work among the deaf who are seeking a Christian life.

Howard Sturgis, who was Atlanta's delegate to the Frat convention in Chicago in July, and this scribe motored to Birmingham, Alabama, on September 1, to be present at a banquet and smoker. Next morning, Sunday, they attended services conducted by Mrs. Fletcher in the absence of her husband. The services were in charge of Elder John Chunn, and held in their new church building.

The old church, St. John's Episcopal, was supposed to have been remodelled, but examination revealed that it was infested with termites and in very poor condition. As a result, the building, the oldest church in Birmingham, was condemned by the city. Two kind gentlemen, hearing of the need for a new church for the deaf, rolled up their sleeves and collected over \$28,000 from the hearing members and friends. These men were Messrs. Brown and Ferrell.

A new, modern church was built, and not a penny is now owed on it. The building has modern fixtures throughout, and it includes a kitchen, a stage in the parish house, a Sunday School room for children of deaf parents, a room for the choir, a modern rest room, and an office for Rev. Fletcher's use. The seating capacity is 350.

We were amazed at the new church and wish we had one like it. Our thanks go to Mr. Chunn for showing us around. On October 7th, Rev. Fletcher was to hold dedication services.

Herman Harper, a veteran linotype operator for the Birmingham News, now on retirement after forty years at the keyboard, was among the people at the church. Also present were Sam Rittenberg, our NFSD vice president re-elected in Chicago, and Rush Letson, the Division 73 delegate.

The Rev. Bob Johnson, H. E. Hartsfield, chairman of the board, and this scribe and his wife were in Augusta recently at the invitation of the Augusta Club for the Deaf. The meeting was well attended and speeches, games, and prizes added to the enjoyment of all present. Sandwiches were served. At the instigation of Augustans, Bob will preach there once a month to the sixty odd deaf living around there.

Big preparations are being made for the Dixie Bowling Association Tournament to be

held in Atlanta October 27. Many teams from the southeast will participate and handsome trophies are being secured for the winners. Director Doug Hitchcock is doing all he can to assure a successful tourney.

Among recent visitors at the Club were Inzer Shubert of Chicago and D'Arcy Wilson of Mobile, Alabama. Inzer was on his vacation and had been visiting old schoolmates in Birmingham. He stopped off here en route to Florida, and then he will head back to Chicago and his trade as an artistic printer. Inzer says he doesn't believe in a hasty marriage, so he is still a bachelor.

Mr. Wilson, another bachelor about 68 years young, informed us that seeing sights was his hobby. He goes on an annual trip, with New Orleans his first choice and Atlanta second. While here he was the guest of Ross Johnson, an old schoolmate from Alabama. Being a baseball fan, he attended the Birmingham-Atlanta double-header. D'Arcy works with his brother in an insurance office in Mobile, where he is an efficient clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones of Columbus, Ga., dropped in at the club while on their honeymoon. He is a skilled carpenter and is in the midst of the boom around Columbus.

Byrd Trawick of Cedartown recently paid Atlanta a brief visit. His son, Jerry, aged 17, was on the way to the University of Georgia to enroll as a freshman. Jerry won \$1800 in scholarships from exhibiting his whitefaced Hereford steers at fairs. Byrd, now nearing 70, keeps close to home. His hobby is reading THE SILENT WORKER and farm journals.

NEW GYMNASIUM

Every Georgia alumnus is jubilant over the news that the State Board of Education has accepted a bid from a Decatur contractor to build a \$222,224.00 recreation building at the school for deaf at Cave Spring. They had been clamoring for a new gymnasium for over forty years and now that it is on the way, they are grateful to the Board.

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Deurmyer Repeats as Top MDGA Golfer

By Connie Marchione

THE FOURTH ANNUAL Midwest Deaf Golf Association, scheduled conveniently in Chicago on July 14 and 15 to precede the N.F.S.D. Golden Jubilee Convention, drew a record-breaking entry of 68 golfers, plus a large gallery of spectators, both the golf-widows and the early-bird Convention visitors. The entry of 68 energetic golfers, representing 13 states from coast to coast, emphasized this tournament as a national affair.

As in the past, the M.D.G.A. tournament consisted of three classes or flights, the Championship (with averages of 90 or less), First Flight (91 to 110), and Second Flight (111 or more). Of the 68 entries, 19, 24 and 25 were split up among their respective flights.

The site was Roselle Country Club, a beautiful golf club located only a few miles northwest of Chicago. This 18-hole course, laid out in 6,200 yards of hazardous, bunker-lined dog-legged fairways and rolling greens, had won the respect of the golfers.

Putting to good use his 22 years of club-swinging experience, starting at the tender age of 12, the defending champion, Herb Deurmyer, again proved his supremacy over not only the 19 top golfers in his Flight but also the country's finest deaf golfers. The

Lincoln, Nebraska, iron specialist eclipsed his last year record total of 148 for 36 holes with a brilliant two days total of 146 with magnificent games of 72 and 74 for a new record. For his feat, he retained the traveling Championship Trophy he won last year, in addition to a trophy awarded for the Championship Flight, and the honor of having the first choice out of a hundred merchandise prizes. His pick was a picnic basket outfit.

Placing second, nine strokes behind Duermeyer, was Jack Kunz of St. Paul, Minn., whose long drives won him the sobriquet of Slamming Sam Sneed of deaf golfers, with his 78 - 77 total of 155. He received a medal and a suitcase as his choice of the prizes.

Third with 16 strokes behind, came Wilbur Sawhill of Des Moines, Iowa, with an 80 - 82 total of 162. Like Kunz, he received a medal but his choice of the merchandise prizes was an auto spotlight. Incidentally, Sawhill was runner-up last year, only a stroke back, with a 149 total.

The 1949 M.D.G.A. Champion, Clyde Herberlien of Cambridge, Wis., finished fourth with an 85 - 79 total of 164.

Leading the 24 golfers in the First Flight was Delbert Willis of New Brunswick, N.J., with 87 - 88 for 175.

Editor's Note: Connie Marchione, whose first name is spelled Constantino, is 28, up and coming leader of American deafdom. In 1949 he moved to Reseda, Calif., from Detroit, Mich., where

he was born and educated. A graduate of Detroit Day School for the Deaf and Edwin Denby High School in Detroit, he was a leader



of the Motor City Association of the Deaf before coming west. He is now employed as a tool and dye maker in an experimental aircraft factory in San Fernando, Calif., and is in his second year as secretary-treasurer of the Farwest Athletic Association of the Deaf. He also edits The Farwest Roundup, official organ of the FAAD.

Connie is an ardent golf fan, having read a great deal about the famous golfers of the world. In the recent M.D.G.A. meet he won four prizes and was placed seventh in the Second Flight.

He was awarded a trophy and a suitcase.

Only a stroke behind, came Eldon Moon of Des Moines, who reversed his bad first day start of 97 with a superb windup of 79 for 176 total. His pick was an ice chest in addition to a medal for finishing second in his flight.

Another Des Moines golfer, Dan Hill, made third, four strokes behind the leader with a 92 - 87 score for a total of 179. His prizes were a medal and an auto spotlight.

On the Second Flight, Herbert Fields of Milwaukee, Wis., posted 203 with 98 and 105 to place first. A stroke behind was Robert Grant of Des Moines with 204 out of 99 and 105. Another Des Moines golfer, Louis Brundige, placed third with 208 (111 - 97). Fields was awarded a trophy and Grant and Brundige, a medal each. They all also received their choice of the merchandise prizes.

In turn, every golfer in order of placing, received a choice of the prizes. These awards and the cash used to purchase the prizes were generously donated by the 1951 Frat Convention Committee, the Chicago Club of the Deaf, George Gordon, Mitchel Echkovitz, and William Maiworm, all of



Left, every golfer participating in the MDGA meet received some sort of merchandise prize.

— MDGA photos by Rogers Crocker Studio.

Burton Schmidt Annexes California Golf Title California Deaf Golf Association Organized

Burton Schmidt of Riverside, Calif., beat Connie Marchione of Reseda, Calif., to claim the unofficial deaf golf championship of California. He won at 101 in 18 holes. This was held on August 19 prior to the annual Joint Frat Outing of Los Angeles Division No. 27 and Hollywood Division No. 119, NFSD, which drew around 800.

After the picnic Connie gathered several golf enthusiasts to a meeting for the purpose of organizing a California Deaf Golf Association. Burton Schmidt was elected president of the CDGA; Larry Levy of Los Angeles, vice-president, and Connie Marchione, secretary-treasurer.

Chicago, Herman Cahen of Cleveland, Larry Yolles of Milwaukee, and Bell and Howell Company of Chicago. Trophy for the champion of the Championship Flight was donated by Sole-dith Jewelry Co., owned and operated by deaf Sol Deitch of Chicago. Prizes were also given in each flight on each consecutive day for the longest drives, for closest to pin from tee shots on several short holes, and for lowest number of putts. As a novelty, Byron B. Burnes of Berkeley, Calif., and Connie Marchione of Reseda, Calif., received prizes for coming the farthest, all the way from California.

The Traveling Team Trophy was retained for another year by the Des Moines foursome, which consisted of Sawhill (155), Larry Marxer (177), Ed Hans (185) and Eldon Moon (176) adding up to a 700 total, far behind their last year's record of 642.

In the modest Country Clubhouse, a buffet lunch was served following Sunday's completion of play. Afterwards, a meeting of the M.D.G.A., presided over by the popular Larry Yolles, held an election of officers for the year of 1952, which resulted in Jack Kunz be-

coming president. Wilbur Sawhill is the new vice-president, and the retiring president Yolles, secretary-treasurer, replacing Frank Sullivan of Chicago. Des Moines will be the site of the golf meet in 1952, and Delavan, Wis., was awarded the 1953 tourney.

The local committee, consisting of the M.D.G.A. secretary-treasurer Frank Sullivan, Gordon Rice of Chicago and their assistants, arranged the tournament and saw to it that everything went off smoothly. Wayne Bovee did a creditable job as the scorekeeper.

OAKLAND KEGLERS TAKE PACIFIC PIN CROWN

The Oakland, California, "A" Silents walked off with 3076 points to set a new record in the Pacific Coast Deaf Bowling Association Tournament held at San Jose, California, Sept. 1. The San Jose Silents were second with 2806.

In addition to the Oakland record, two other records fell during the tourney. Clyde Williamson, Oakland, smashed the All-Events mark set in San Francisco in 1946, when he ran up 1885 points. The other mark to fall was the women's team series,

won by the Portland Silents with 2562 points. The old record was 2474.

Williamson shared the doubles crown with George Loustalot of Oakland, with 1269 points. Howard Taylor of Portland carded 650 points to take the singles title, and Dominic Ponsetti of Oakland rolled up a 275 game to lead individual bowlers in the high-game division.

Portland will entertain the 1952 tournament, with Los Angeles to be host in 1953.



Above, the MDGA champions. Left to right: Herbert Fields, Milwaukee (Second Flight); Herb Deurmyer, Lincoln, Neb. (Championship); and Delbert Willis, New Brunswick, N. J. (First Flight).

Below, the 68 golfers representing 13 states who competed for honors in the 4th annual MDGA tourney, held at Chicago, July 14-15. The number of entries established a new record for the rapidly-growing MDGA, which annually sponsors a 36-hole tournament.



Athletics at the New Jersey School for the Deaf During the Last Quarter of a Century

By Edith Garrison and James A. Dey

THIS RECORD of the athletic teams at the New Jersey School for the Deaf covers only the time that the School has been located at its present site in West Trenton.

Let us start with football and continue through the sports calendar of the school year. A survey of those twenty-five years shows NJSD has risen to great heights.

In 1930 they were chosen Regional Champions of all Preparatory and High Schools of this part of New Jersey. In 1932 their goal line was uncrossed and they had but one tie score. Eddie Rodman, fleet back on this aggregation, was second highest point getter in the State and was chosen All-City and All-County quarterback. The 1945 team was selected as the third best deaf team in the nation, and the best in the East. Two of the linemen from this team, Bob Bergamo and Tom Cullen, were picked on the All-American. In 1946 NJSD again had the best team in the East and rated fourth place as the best in the nation. Quarterback Bernie Solinger and End Don Spalton made the All-American Deaf Team. The 1947 team which defeated two of the three high schools of the Trenton area received much local publicity. Ray O'Grady, a halfback, made the All-City and All-County teams and was selected with Tony Venturini, the team's center, for the All-American Deaf School Team. This team also had the honor of being the initial champion of the Mason-Dixon Schools for the Deaf Football League. The championship was captured again in 1949.

In 1929 the football team, then

Editor's Note: Through some extensive research work, which is still in progress, Miss Edith Garrison, a teacher associated with the New Jersey school for the past twenty-five years and an ardent follower of its teams, and Jim Dey, Athletic Director, a picture of the athletic teams at the West Trenton institution over the past twenty-five years is presented for our readers.

It took the authors two months to do the write-up and they certainly covered a lot. Since the history of athletics at the school is so interesting and colorful we are having the story printed in installments. The article below is about football, the first of three articles.

Now in his seventh season as head coach and athletic director at the New Jersey School, Jim Dey is one of the finest hearing coaches at schools for the deaf whom we have the pleasure of knowing. In all he has been on the athletic staff of the West Trenton school for sixteen years and was for four years coach at the Florida school.

known as the "Nujeds," under Coach Dwight Reeder, who had just taken the reins from Coach Fred Moore, beat Newton, 19-7, for their first victory in three years. Captain William Osmola, Clifford Godley, Ed Smolen and Eddie Rodman did most of the ball carrying for this club, behind a line composed of Charles Salotti, George Schmitt, Alex Purzycki, Les Blanchard, McNiff, Dave Davidowitz and Joe Shklar. The name Eddie Rodman, stands out on this team and we find a great deal about him in the next seven years.

In 1930, the boys from the year before returned to school and with the aid of some newcomers, Sam Smalls, Del Willis, Amos Ford, John Breznak, Nick Konesky and Jack Ashmeade, went through a six game schedule undefeated.

The Nujeds were selected as the Regional Champions, which included all High and Preparatory Schools in this densely populated site for public high schools in New Jersey.

The 1930 record:

NJ	Opp.
15—Trenton No. 3 School	0
26—New Hope H.S.	0
27—Pennington H.S.	0
14—Lawrenceville Prep.	7
13—Morrisville H.S.	0
13—Lambertville H.S.	0
108	7

1932 turned out to be another banner year when Fred Burbank, who had taken over the coaching duties the year before, guided the West Trenton boys to another undefeated season. They scored 131 points while holding their opponents scoreless.

The 1932 record:

NJ	Opp.
0—Bordentown H.S.	0
7—Pennington H.S.	0

At left, 1945 school for the deaf football Coach of the Year, Jim Dey, and his two All-American linemen, Tom Cullen (left) and Bob Bergamo. Bob was the rock in the line. Most teams did not bother running in his direction after the first few tries.

7—Morrisville H.S.	0
27—Lambertville H.S.	0
35—Immaculate Conception H.S. ..	0
54—New Hope H.S.	0
1—St. Joseph's Deal School	0
(Forfeit)	

131 0

Eddie Rodman, at quarterback, and Ed Smolen, at fullback, were the big guns in the backfield but they were receiving plenty of help from an excellent blocking back in Bacilio Milano and a good runner in Angelo Marucci. Joe Shklar, John Breznack and Charles Salotti of the 1930 Regional Champions were still playing in the line, but Carl Palumbo, Joe Bruno, Nick Konesky and Joe Gagen, who had shown up well the year before, really did a job in 1932.

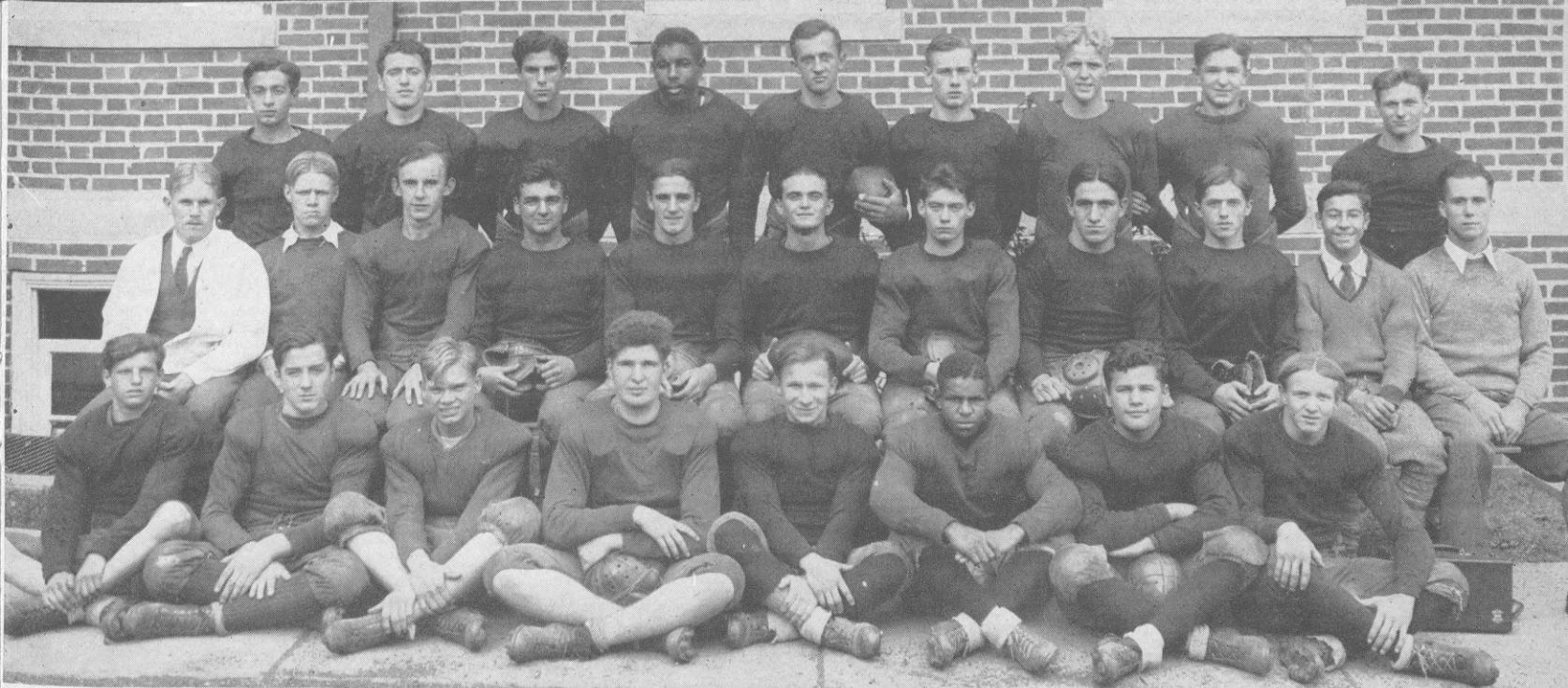
The football teams did very well for the next four years, winning 17 while losing 7 and tying 8. Only one team made more than two touchdowns against the determined West Trenton lads from 1930 to 1935 and that was made by rough and tough Morrisville High from across the river, 6 to 25.

Eddie Rodman played his last football game in 1934 and was the outstanding player on the field every time the NJSD team met an opponent. However, we cannot overlook the players mentioned previously, as well as boys such as Sam Foti, Harry Beal, Charles Pavlick, Frank Gibo, Remo Strazabosco, Walter Gronkowski, Karl Kalasin and Sam Pearlman, who were fine players in their own right but were not fortunate enough to have played on an outstanding team.

After 1936 the victories and the defeats tended to become more of a fifty-fifty proposition. The outstanding players of this era were Anthony Cerkies, Joe Wasiewicz and Nick Torgum.

During the years of the Second World War football material dropped out of school to take those highly paid production jobs and the school was lucky





The 1932 NJSD team which was unbeaten and unscored on. L. to r.: first row, M. Giambatisti, J. Farley, W. Grankowski, R. Strazzabosco, F. Maiher, J. Hawes, F. Gibo, C. Kalasin. Second row, Coach Fred Burbank, Manager J. Sciegal, N. Konesky, C. Palumbo, C. Salotti, J. Shklar, J. Breznak, J. Bruno, J. Gagan, Manager Nick Bonasia, Asst. Coach Jim Dey. Third row, B. Maliano, G. Schmitt, A. Marucci, J. Sampson, E. Smolen, E. Rodman, H. Beal, C. Pavlick, M. Michleski.

to be able to place a team upon the field. Football schedules were curtailed and no games were played at all in 1943.

The '44 team made an excellent record of 5 wins and only one loss as football opened up again at the close of the war. The highlight of the 1944 season was a 6-0 win over the Mt. Airy school. This was the first time that NJSD had beaten their old rival in football in fourteen contests since 1925.

Fred Burbank volunteered for Red Cross work and entered this service in January 1945. Jim Dey completed the basketball season and opened the '45 football season with competition that seemed little short of suicidal as one looks back upon it.

A few of the younger boys who had played on the 1942 and the 1944 teams were still at school and these boys formed the nucleus of a team that played remarkable ball.

The 1945 team won five and lost three, scoring 120 points to their opponents' 59. One of the defeats was administered by Princeton High School, 14-12, and the other, which will long be remembered by the NJSD High coaching staff as one of the greatest games they have ever seen played by a School for the Deaf, was the loss to Highland Park High School, 7-2. The deaf players performed so well and so hard that Highland Park did not want a return game and rooters from Metuchen, next scheduled to meet New Jersey, went home, told the Athletic Director that they would not allow their boys to play against that deaf team, so Metuchen paid the guarantee and cancelled the game.

The Mt. Airy school lost to this team, 34-0, and a 19-0 defeat was

handed the Fanwood school. This '45 team was selected as the third best in the nation and the first in the East. Bob Bergamo and Tom Cullen were picked on the All-American Deaf Team. Nick Torgum was selected by the *Newark Star Ledger* on the third All-Star Team backfield among Preparatory Schools in the State, while Matty Ordille, Tom Cullen and Tony Venturini received Honorable Mention.

In 1946, the loss of Torgum and Ordille in the backfield and Bergamo, Russo and Palick in the line from '45 caused most people, even the coaches, to take a dim view as to a successful season. However, six boys must have been hiding their talents for Joe Hutton, Al Barnabie, George Tomko, Tom Mooney, Stan Deren and Al Angrisani seemed to spring up overnight to fill the shoes of the "mighty" graduates. These players worked in well with the holdovers of the year before.

After shutting-out Bordentown and Florence High Schools, 25-0 and 7-0, respectively, and blanking the Virginia school, 20-0, the power-laden Bordentown Military Institute whipped the deaf lads, 41-7. Princeton High followed this with a 6-0 victory. The NJSD squad bounced right back and won over the American school, 13-0, the St. Joseph's school, 46-13, Morrisville High, 25-0 that tough old rival who had not seen defeat at the hands of the Deaf School since 1932, and continued their mastery over Mt. Airy, 20-7.

The record stood at seven wins and two losses and rated the New Jersey team as the best of the Schools for the Deaf in the East and a fourth place as the best in the nation. Quarterback Bernie Solinger and end Don Spalton

were selected on the All-American.

The 1947 aggregation turned out to be a surprise package and reaped more honors locally than any other West Trenton team in the past thirteen years. With a record of 5 wins, 2 losses and a tie, it might very well have been an undefeated season had the team had some reserve strength or had been able to escape injuries to their key men.

This 1947 team had lost the entire left side of the line in Tomko, Spranger, and Mooney, plus Deren at right guard. Allgair, Noll, Chiarello and Rizzo jumped into these positions and practically made the school forget those boys who had left. Cullen was out of competition but the return of Solinger, O'Grady and Hutton made the backfield look very good. Barnabie went in at fullback and did a nice job after having gotten some experience at that position the year before. However, hard luck hit the team when Bernie Solinger went out on a job after the first game of the season. Joe Hutton took over the quarterbacking duties in the T-formation, but in the Mt. Airy game, when Hutton was out with an injury, Lou Chiarello moved out of the guard slot to substitute for Joe. That these boys did a good job can be seen from the results. One of the things that kept the team in the front ranks was the quality of the quarterbacking. It was above average as a whole with a brilliant fellow like Solinger thrown in.

Since the NJSD had played two of the city's three High Schools and beaten them quite badly (Trenton High had only beaten Catholic by a point in their game), the newspapers gave the West Trenton team considerable space. Ray O'Grady made the All-City and the All-County teams and was selected to



The 1945 starting eleven, rated by most as the best team to represent NJSD. L. to r. in the line are D. Spalton, P. Pavlick, C. Spranger, T. Venturini, T. Cullen, B. Bergamo, and S. Lee (sub for Vito Russo, who was in the infirmary). In the backfield are N. Torgun, B. Selinger (behind center), M. Ordille, and R. O'Grady. This team defeated Mt. Airy 34 to 0, and Fanwood 19-0. It was picked as the third best deaf team in the nation and the best in the East. Most of the line was above average with Pavlick, 185-5'11", Spranger 175-5'10", Cullen 185-5'11", Bergamo 235-5'11", and Spalton 175-5'11" outstanding.

the All-American Deaf Team along with Tony Venturini. Don Spalton also made the All-City team. Lou Chiarello and Al Barnabie made the All-City 2nd team, and Joe Allgair the All-City 3rd Team. Honorable Mentions to the All-City Team were garnered by John Noll, Francis Cross, Joe Hutton and Joe Anastasia. Never had the School for the Deaf been so honored by the local sportswriters.

The Mason-Dixon Football League, which included the Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania (Mt. Airy) and New Jersey schools for the deaf, had established an organization for the first time and the New Jersey team became the League's initial champion.

It was becoming increasingly difficult at this time for NJSD to obtain games with Public High Schools in their grouping. The majority of the Public High Schools in this section do not mind handing out a beating to the School for the Deaf, but once the West Trenton school comes up with a good team, then those schools that should remain upon the schedule rapidly drop off and force the local lads to take on schools out of their competitive group. This is what caused the NJSD to add more schools for the deaf to their schedule. The Blue and Gold and playing American, Virginia, St. Joseph's and Mt. Airy in 1946 and 1947, and added Fanwood and West Virginia in 1948 to a season of football games that included only one Public High School, Bordentown, who had competed against them down through the years.

This type of schedule requires quite some travelling since the team plays every school for the deaf in the East having a football team. The players like the trips, which are not only educational, but which give the boys many social contacts that they might never

receive any other way. The New Jersey School has built up a reputation of good sportsmanship and of good behavior which they aim to maintain among the schools upon their schedule. In the all-round character training of the boys, this is just as important an objective as the winning of the game.

After this period of four years of top quality teams, winning 22, losing 8 and tying one, the football picture suddenly became quite dim. The loss of some seven key players, lack of reserve strength and players leaving school at an earlier age than usual was primarily the cause of a record of two wins and five losses made in '48.

There was one bright spot in 1948 that the players of that team will remember for a long time. The Fanwood school came to West Trenton near the end of October with a perfect record and an uncrossed goal line. They returned after giving up two touchdowns and a loss, 12-6. There is no doubt that over-confidence and a slight drizzle had something to do with their defeat; but the determination, spirit and team unity of the New Jersey players for this one period of time rose up to spoil the New York record.

The 1949 team began to make the School feel as though they had something to cheer about, even though they had a 3 and 4 record. The only key losses to the team had been Lou Chiarello and Nick Rizzo.

After losing to Bordentown High and the New York school, the team was given a shot in the arm by the return of Joe Hutton, who finally decided his knee once again could stand the rigors of football. "Mighty Mite" Joe Anastasia feeding off to Hutton and Charlie Popowski or Billy Fisher and to John "Bull" Wilson into the line finally got the team started on the upgrade and improvement was steady as the season

wore on. Billy Golden, Francis Cross, and Joe Allgair were opening holes to the right of center. George Reid, and Pete Sala, Dela Cuna, Carl Smith and Al Mazanowski were doing the same for the left side.

St. Joseph's lost to the visiting Trenton team but American squeaked past, 13-7, and Virginia managed to come out on top, 19-12. This was proof enough to the Ram coaching staff that their New Jersey team was on the way up and the players proved it by beating highly favored West Virginia, 13-6. Mt. Airy came in with one of their best teams captained by their highly publicized star John Bingham who certainly deserved all of his notices; but he left, after losing, 7-6, and at the same time, gave up the championship of the Mason-Dixon Football League to the New Jersey School.

Both the SILENT WORKER and the Cavalier honored three fine players of the West Trenton Team — Joe Anastasia, Francis Cross, and Al Mazanowski.

It looked as if 1950 would really bring the team back to the top of the heap with only the expected loss of Hutton, Golden and Mazanowski. But what a blow to the team when Smith, Allgair, Cross and Popowski also failed to return. Seven out of eleven starters made a big loss, but a further loss in six reserves was clearly shown by the record of one win, one tie and four losses.

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If New Jersey had the pick of the boys who have played for her during the past twenty-five years through 1949, she would have an offensive team and a defensive team. Bear in mind, however, that these boys were not specialists, but that they might have done one job just a trifle better than the other.

Offensive Team

Backs — Clifford Godley, Bacilio Miliano, Eddie Rodman and Bernie Solinger.

Linemen — Sam Foti, Al Mazanowski, Frank Gibo, John Breznak, Charles Pavlick, Francis Cross and Joe Wasiewicz.

Defensive Team

Backs — Ed Smolen, Joseph Bruno, Nick Torgun and Matty Ordille.

Linemen — Tony Venturini, Dave Davidowitz (now a professor at the Fanwood school), Joseph Shklar, Tom Cullen, Bob Bergamo, Joe Gagan and Don Spalton.

Substitutes for either team in the backfield are Ray O'Grady, Joe Hutton and Joe Anastasia; and in the line, Anthony Cerkies, Remo Strazzabosco, Harry Beal, Al Angrisani, Joe Allgair and Lou Chiarello.

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Mr. John P. Mack, the Executive Director of the American Bureau of Public Relations, whose report you read in the August issue wrote me as follows:

" . . . It has been decided that I am to have a much needed and very welcome vacation . . . my duties as the chief administrative officer in the AB of PR are being taken over by my valued associate and friend of long standing, Mr. Walter L. Darling, who has been our Western States Manager at Portland, Oregon, for many years . . . I am very confident that the operations of this office will suffer in no way by my absence and I will not be surprised if they show a spurt toward greater progress under the direction of Darling, who is definitely a genius and a lad of unusual capabilities . . . As a former news correspondent in South America and as an active partner in several business enterprises prior to his joining our staff 10 years ago, he piled up an amazing variety of experiences and brings to his work a constructive and interesting personality and a lot of 'drive'."

Mr. Mack expects to move East and open a new sales office for the American City Bureau under which the AB of PR is a service division.

We will miss Mr. Mack — the first growth and building up of the NAD may be mainly attributed to him and his staff. In the year and a half we have been associated with him, there has been nothing but remarkable devotion on his part to our Association, the NAD. Thanks much, Mr. Mack.

I have met Mr. Darling and he is everything that Mr. Mack says. In the few hours of conferring with him, I was very much impressed with his picking up so vast a knowledge of NAD matters and problems in such a short time. He is drawing up plans for more and renewed activities between now and the Austin NAD convention.

Off to Danville, Kentucky, for the Kentucky Association of the Deaf Re-

union over the Labor Day holidays. Robert Greenmun is attending the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf Convention at Harrisburg Aug. 24-26 while B. B. Burnes will take in the Houston, Texas, NAD Rally and meet with the Austin, Texas, NAD Local Committee to complete preliminary preparations over the Labor Day holidays for the NAD Convention July 1-7, 1952. Indications point to a GREAT convention. DON'T MISS THIS COMING CONVENTION IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. REMEMBER THE DATES, JULY 1-7, 1952.

LARRY N. YOLLES

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President Reports on Texas Trip

As Vice President Larry Yolles has mentioned in his report in another column, I spent the Labor Day week-end in Austin and Houston, Texas, meeting with our NAD convention committee on August 31 and attending a Rally in Houston on September 2.

My objective in Austin was to discuss with Local Chairman Bill Lucas and his committee certain plans for the convention, and to inspect the convention facilities of the city, about which we have heard many things since Austin was chosen as the convention site. Foremost in my mind as I flew into Austin were (1) the weather and (2) the size of the city. We had been hearing that Texas was too hot for the convention, and that Austin was too small to accommodate a throng such as usually attends an NAD convention.

First we shall consider the heat. It was my good fortune to visit Texas during the hottest spell of weather that state had seen in 79 years. I call this good fortune only because it gave me an opportunity to see the state at its worst.

I changed planes at Dallas, and when I stepped off the plane a temperature of 105 degrees smacked me in the face. Arriving at Austin little more than an hour later, I was surprised to find a cool breeze and a temperature no one could condemn as excessive. It was a relief after what I had encountered in Dallas. I spent more than two days in Austin. It was hot at times, of course, but not disagreeably hot, and that breeze seemed to appear with regularity in the afternoons. Bill Lucas had been telling us that Austin was not so hot as some

other places in Texas, and my observations were that Bill was telling the truth.

I have here a weather map which appeared in a Texas paper on September 3. It shows the temperature in the Dallas vicinity as 104 degrees, while in the vicinity of Austin it is 83 degrees. So while it is true that Texas is capable of producing hot weather in the summer time, Austin seems to be located in an area of the less extreme temperatures. And don't forget that I saw Austin during some of the worst conditions in the history of the state.

In my opinion, convention goers will find Austin as comfortable as anywhere else. It must be remembered that, aside from the Pacific sea coast, the entire United States is hot in the summer. Austin when I saw it was certainly not so hot as were Cleveland and Louisville when we had our conventions in those cities. Moreover, most public buildings in Texas are air conditioned. Headquarters for our NAD convention will be at the Austin Hotel, which is completely and comfortably air conditioned from roof to street level. Also, on the edge of the city is a huge swimming pool, fed by the cooling waters of a natural spring. Here convention-goers can find a delightful spot for recreation and cooling off.

As to the size of the city, Austin is the smallest city in which the NAD has held a convention. However, it is large enough to accommodate all our members and guests. It has ample hotel space and acres of tourist cottages and cabins. In the city coliseum, used frequently for conventions, it has banquet facilities sufficient for around six

thousand people. It has a park which can easily hold our entire convention, and the local committee is making plans to entertain the convention at a barbecue in this park. Austin can provide ample entertainment for all, and the committee will see that it does.

On my return from Texas, I read in the papers that a convention attended by 5,000 was being held in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Austin is about three times as large as Colorado Springs and if the latter city can provide for 5,000 visitors, Austin can certainly handle our NAD convention. In fact, it may give us our greatest convention. Texas people, you know, do big things! And in their preparations for big things, the deaf of Austin have the hearty cooperation of other Texas cities, such as Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, and San Antonio.

So let us prepare to converge upon Austin July 1-7, 1952, for another great convention, an interesting trip, and a royal good time. B. B. BURNES

World's Congress of the Deaf

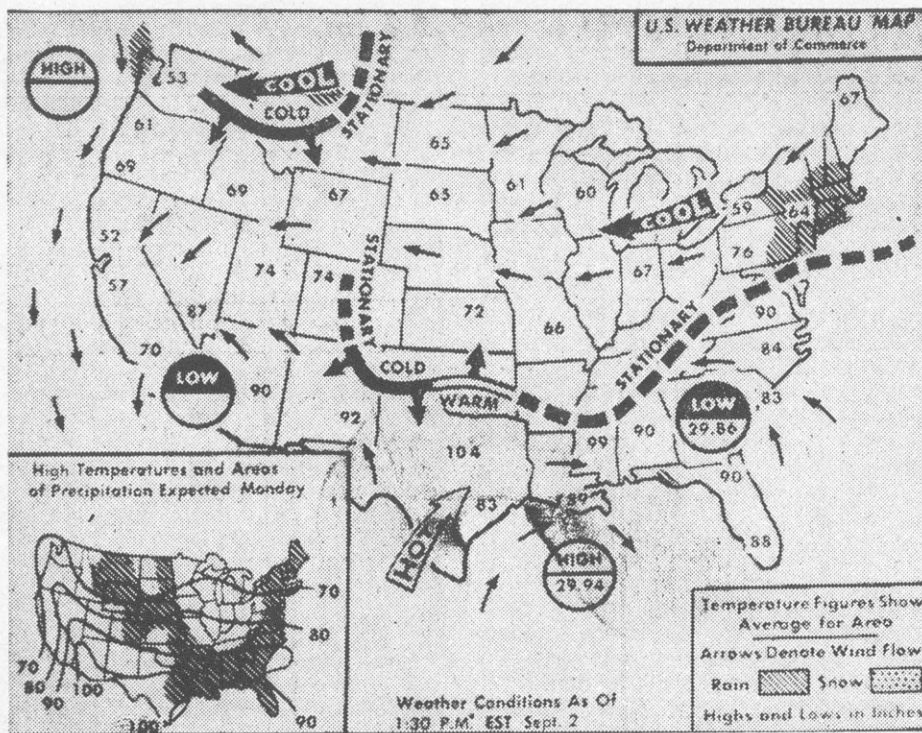
The National Association of the Deaf received an invitation to send a delegation to the World's Congress of the Deaf, convening in Rome, Italy, September 19-23, 1951. It was hoped that a delegation of at least five representatives from the United States could be present.

The invitation came too late for the NAD to make the necessary financial arrangements for transportation of delegates to the Congress although a desperate last-minute effort was made by Secretary Greenmun. The Association does not have funds for financing such projects, so an effort was made to secure financing from other sources.

Efforts were made to have a delegation made up by the United States Government, and help was sought from the Italian consulate in the United States. When these efforts failed, telegrams were sent to numerous clubs of the deaf throughout the United States, asking for contributions. Some of the clubs generously contributed, but as the time came for convening of the Congress, the fund was still not large enough to finance a delegateship and the project was abandoned.

It was learned that Mario Santin, of New York, was planning to attend the Congress at his personal expense, so he was appointed official NAD delegate and given a message from the NAD to deliver to the president of the Congress. When Mr. Santin returns to the United States we hope to have a report on the Congress.

At left is reproduced a weather map from a Texas paper showing the weather on Sept. 2. The Austin area is marked with temperature of 82°. Note that at the same time the Dallas vicinity was sweltering under 104°.



The NAD appreciates the assistance offered by various clubs. Their contributions have been returned to them.

Law Committee

Members of the NAD who desire to offer amendments to the By-Laws for consideration at the Austin convention are invited to send them to the Chairman of the Law Committee, Casper B. Jacobson, 569 Walhalla Road, Columbus 2, Ohio.

Appointment of a Law Committee has been recently completed. This is not to be considered a "reorganization committee," as the officials of the NAD believe that the existing laws can continue to serve until the home office is established and proper time and study can be given to the problem of reorganization.

However, the time has come when certain changes in the laws seem necessary, and the purpose of the Law Committee is to give consideration to such amendments as will help make the laws more effective in maintaining the Association at its present period of expansion.

For example, the membership and dues set-up has not been revised in many years. In these days, when prices have skyrocketed, money has assumed less value, and the cost of operation is many times what it used to be, dues should be increased to the point where they will insure a more adequate income.

It is felt by many members that improvement can be effected in the relationship between the NAD and its affiliates, and between the NAD and state associations, and it may be that certain amendments to the laws can bring about the improvements.

There are numerous other improvements which might be made by certain amendments to the laws, and it is hoped that members will make a study of the laws and help with their ideas. It is expected that ample time will be found at the Austin convention for action on all worthy amendments. By elimination of speakers, more time will be made available on the program for consideration of business of the Association.

In addition to Chairman Jacobson, the members of the Law Committee are: Charles Loughran, Iowa; Clive D. Breedlove, Indiana; Thomas A. Hinchey, New York; Louis B. Orrill, Texas; Toivo Lindholm, California; Gordon L. Allen, Minnesota; Fred R. Murphy, Missouri; and George R. Culbertson, Virginia.

Every month a question will be asked of people from all walks of life who are interested in the deaf and their problems. THE SILENT WORKER's Inquiring Reporter reserves the right to edit the comments for the sake of brevity and fitness for publication. Readers are welcome to suggest questions which if pertinent will be used in subsequent issues of THE SILENT WORKER. Please address all correspondence to: Lawrence Newman, 713 North Madison St., Rome, N. Y.

The Answer Box

This department is conducted by Lawrence Newman, 713 No. Madison Ave., Rome, New York

This month's question is:

What sounds of your pre-deaf days do you still remember?

On the morning of my thirteenth birthday, my brother, Roy, and I were at play in our back yard. It was a Sunday morning and the Dick Tracy comic strip had been packed with action; our conversation centered upon Dick Tracy and his chances of capturing a now forgotten criminal.



We were erecting a bridge for our toy trucks and were not watching each other while talking. Suddenly I glanced over at Roy who had stopped play and was watching me while he talked. Realizing that something was wrong, Roy raised his voice to a near shout as he said: "I said I bet Dick Tracy will be good." A few seconds later deafness and a new world moved in.

WILLIAM E. STEVENS
Phoenix, Arizona

Not a sound. The sickness that caused my deafness also destroyed my memory of the days I could hear.

WILBUR J. RUGE,
Wichita, Kansas

I lost my total hearing seventeen years ago. Now twenty-five, I still have memories of various sounds. My conscious mind readily recalls the suspense created by sound-effects in Tom Mix radio programs. The church bell's early Sunday morning ding-donging awakened me. Too, a sound, although remote—is occasionally springing forth, from the subconscious to the conscious mind.



JAMES GEORGE,
Akron, Ohio

Nil! My hearing and speech were lost at three years of age. It often seemed to me I had not been a living person (conscious or aware or apprehensive) until I saw my first teacher,

who loved me. This love from such a patient and ever-smiling teacher was actually, so far as I can vividly recall, the first light rising in my young mind, something that amply makes up for all the sound I cannot remember.

CARL B. SMITH,
Battle Creek, Michigan

I remember nothing as I lost my hearing some time between six months and one year.

REUBEN I. ALTIZER,
Washington, D.C.

Gradually I was deprived of my hearing following an attack of Scarlet Fever at the age of 18 months. Occasionally I was able to hear clearly until the age of 15 at which time I was visiting at the home of a friend. In answer to my knock the opening of the door brought an awareness of a sound strange to my ears and upon closer inspection it proved to be the chirping of a canary. This is the sound I remember best.



MAHLON E. HOAG,
Endicott, New York

In reply to your letter, asking me the question, "What sound of your pre-deaf days do you still remember," I am really at a loss to answer as it was presumed I was born deaf.

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